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Port Almanac—December 24.

Sun Rises	7.09 A M
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The Weather.

U. S. DEP'T OF AGRICULTURE.
WEATHER BUREAU,
WILMINGTON, N. C., Dec 24.

Meteorological data for yesterday:

Temperature: 8 a. m., 44°; 8 p. m., 54°; maximum, 62°; minimum, 44°; mean, 53°.

Rainfall for the day, .00; rainfall since 1st of month up to date, 3 11.

FAYETTEVILLE, N. C., Dec. 23.—At 8 a. m. the stage of water in the Cape Fear river was 7 0 feet.

FORECAST FOR TO-DAY.

For North Carolina—Generally fair and colder; northeasterly winds.

OUTLINES.

The reunion of wanderers from the Carolinas and Virginia at Southern Pines proved so successful that a second reunion will be held at the same place in 1897. ——The United States Circuit Court has issued a decree of foreclosure and sale of the Atlantic & Pacific Railroad. ——The Bank of West Superior, Wis., has suspended. ——The runs on the Illinois Trust and Savings Bank and the Hibernian Bank, at Chicago, continue, though diminished in size. —— The American Banking and Trust Company, Auburn, Me., has closed its doors ——The Spanish Minister of Marine denies that the Government is purchasing warships; a semi-official organ declares that Spain is fully capable of maintaining an international war. ——President Cleveland formally received the envoy of the new Greater Republic of Central America. ——Great excitement prevails at Mayfield, Ky., over a threatened attack on the town by negroes and every person capable of bearing arms is on guard; news has been received from different points that the negroes are organizing in large bodies for the purpose of wreaking vengeance upon the lynchers of the negro rapist; surrounding towns are sending help to the people of Mayfield; all the arms in the hardware stores have been distributed and guns have been ordered from Paducah. ——Because of a failure to agree upon weapons, a prospective duel between two prominent citizens of Suffolk, Va., ended in a war of words. ——Hon. W. J. Bryan began his lecture tour at Atlanta last night, his subject being, 'The Ancient Landmarks." ——In attempting to search the house of a man accused of burglary, near Mansfield, Mo., the constable was killed and seven of his posse wounded, one of them fatally. ——Street traffic and railway business in New York city is interrupted by snow which is from four to twelve inches deep. ——Prisoners in the county jail at Columbia, S. C., assaulted the jailor while he was locking them up for the night and made their escape. ——The filibustering steamer Three Friends has succeeded in landing an expedition on the northern coast of Havana province; many rumors of severe engagements are current, but nothing is allowed to be printed, which is considered as an indication that the Cubans are winning. ——Later reports are to the effect that the race war at Mayfield, Ky., has been greatly exaggerated; no further outbreak is apprehended, as the better class of people have determined to suppress violence. —— New York markets: Money on call was easy at 1½@2 per cent., last loan at 2 per cent., closing offered at 2 per cent.; cotton steady—middling 7⅛c; Southern flour dull, steady and unchanged—common to fair extra $3 00@3 55, good to choice $3 55@3 85; wheat—spot dull and firmer; ungraded red 80@$1 00; corn—spot dull and firmer; No. 2, 29c at elevator and 30c afloat; rosin steady—strained common to good $1 77½@1 80; spirits turpentine firm at 27@27½c.

Considering the number of Ohio men who want offices, it isn't surprising that McKinley polled a pretty big vote in that State.

McKinley's plurality in California is only 1,882; but under the circumstances that was sufficient, and didn't cost as much as a larger plurality.

The Henderson *Gold Leaf* entered on its sixteenth year last week, and has grown stronger with its years. Editor Manning makes a good paper and has well earned his success.

The Emperor William is said to have $500,000 worth of clothes, uniforms and costumes. He seems to be stuck on clothes as well as in them. There are a good many of his loyal subjects, who are taxed to pay for these trappings, who haven't a change of shirts.

Come and look at our Candy, 200 different kinds, at Palace Bakery. †

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The last story of the death of Maceo, as told to the New York *Herald* correspondent by Dr. Zerucha, is that he was shot and died in a few minutes, when Zerucha mounted Maceo's horse, galloped to another insurgent commander, told him what had happened, and that he took the body and buried it. This knocks out the other stories about the finding of the body by the Spaniards, tying it to a horse's tail, &c., but it is probably another lie added to the number previously told.

Ex Senator Edmunds thinks Secretary Olney is right in his views as to the prerogative of the President to recognize the independence of Cuba, and that he performed his duty by making the statement he did. If so, it would have been a duty better and more timely performed if it had been done when that question began to take definite shape in Congress.

Ex Queen Lil, of Hawaii, hasn't yet told anybody what she came for. She has probably heard about the hankering some of our society people have for royalty and has come to have some fun with them. She is somewhat of an ex and rather off color, but she has a royal carriage, and may be sought for what she was, if not for what she is.

Senator Morgan is in favor of recognizing the independence of Cuba and of fighting for it, but he doesn't want any annexation. But it will be time enough to discuss that when Cuba libre comes "a knockin' at the door." If many Senators feel like Mr. Morgan on that question she will not knock.

With the assurance from Secretary Olney that there is no likelihood of Cuban independence being recognized while Mr. Cleveland is in office, Gen. Weyler will probably make another dash or two at the rebs, and then send out some more reports of his great victories.

It may be interesting to those who have a hankering for Egpptian mummies to learn that the genuine mum may be distinguished from the base counterfeit by the use of the X rays. It is said to be an excellent test, which the modernly improvised mummy can't stand.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

MISS L E ABBOTT—Voice culture.
OPERA HOUSE—Woodward-Warren Co.
ATLANTIC NAT'L BANK—Statement.
F. S. ROYSTER GUANO CO.—Orinoco tobacco guano.

LOCAL DOTS.

Items of Interest Gathered Here and There and Briefly Noted.

— Christmas shoppers thronged the streets yesterday.

— The Seacoast Railroad will run an extra train to the Sound to-morrow (Christmas) morning at 10 o'clock.

— Messrs. Alexander Sprunt & Son will move into their new offices, corner of Front and Walnut streets, next week.

— Country merchants are ordering their goods by mail now, being too busy with the Christmas trade to come to the city.

— Business is looking up in matrimonial as well as in all other lines. The STAR learns of one pastor marrying three couples yesterday.

— The STAR is indebted to the Postal Telegraph Company, through its Wilmington office, for a very handsome counting-room calendar for 1897.

— The Charlotte *Observer* announces the death of Mrs. K. W. Hannon, of that city, in her 74th year. She was the mother of Mrs. Sue Smith, of Wilmington, who was with her when she died.

— The STAR will appear as usual Christmas Day; but will not be issued Saturday, as all our employes will take holiday to-morrow. Sunday morning we will resume our regular schedule, and we will not have another holiday until the Fourth of July.

— It is not often nowadays that the manufacturers of fertilizers advertise in the daily newspapers; but the F. S. Royster Guano Co., with factories at Greensboro, N. C., and Norfolk, Va., have decided, without solicitation, to test the merits of the STAR. This Company does an extensive business and the products of their factories rank with the very best.

J. H. Rehder & Co. will present to-day a beautiful embroidered silk handkerchief to each cash customer buying one dollar's worth and over. †

Our Candy Factory is in full blast Fresh Candy every hour, at Palace Bakery. †

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS

Pertinent Paragraphs Pertaining Principally to People and Potentially Printed.

— Mr. J. W. Norwood has left for a ten days' vacation.

— Mr. Brook French is at home for the holiday season.

— Mr. W. C. Rushing, of Hillsboro, was in the city yesterday.

— Mr. W. C. Wishart, W., N. & N. agent at Jacksonville, is in the city.

— Messrs. H. D. Kellihan and W. H. Harrison, of Cerro Gordo, are in the city.

— Mr. Preston Cooper, of Mullins, S. C., is in the city visiting his brother, Mr. Lawrence Cooper.

— Mr. G. S. Kinney, of Spring Valley, Ohio, is in the city visiting his son, Mr. W. L. Kinney.

— Messrs. R. C. Bunting and Richard Price have returned from college to spend the holidays.

— Mr. Alfred Carpenter, who has been attending school at Chocowinity, has returned home for Christmas.

— Mr. W. G. Womble, of Maysville, is in the city on his way to his old home in Chatham for the holidays.

— Lieut. Repiton Merritt has returned from the A & M. College at Raleigh to spend the holidays at home.

— Dr. L. L. Ardrey, of Burgaw, passed through the city yesterday on his way to Charlotte, his former home, for the holidays.

— Misses Eddie Oliver, of Mount Olive, and Nellie Johnston, of Warsaw, were in the city yesterday visiting friends and relatives.

— Mr. John E. Hart, of Winston, but since July engaged in the tobacco business at Fair Bluff, made the STAR a friendly call yesterday.

— Mr. T. Kirby Collier, a medical student of the Pavsician and Surgeon College of Baltimore, Md., returned yesterday to spend the holidays.

— Mrs. W. H. Murphy and daughter, of Wvane, Ark., arrived in the city yesterday to spend Christmas with Mrs. R. J. Bunting, Mrs. Murphy's mother.

—Jolly Frank Sessoms was a STAR visitor yesterday, and he was loaded with jokes as usual. It may be doubted if Frank has experienced a dozen unhappy days in all his life.

— Miss Sudie Anderson, a charming young lady, daughter of Mr. W. H. Anderson, of Privett's, S. C., who has been visiting friends in the city, left for her home yesterday evening.

— Messrs. T. B. Pritchard, Marsden Bellamy, Jr., Edwin N. Metts, Edward J. Wood, Ed. C. McEachern, George Chadbourn, Gaston L. Myers and Jno. S. McEachern have returned from the University to spend Christmas at home.

— Messrs. John W. Cotten, Jr. and James Bissett, of Rocky Mount, were among hotel registrations yesterday. Other arrivals were Burdis Anderson, Hub; A. McR. Griggs, Norfolk; H. S. McCallum, Clarkton; and Dr. A. A. McCain, Nichols, S. C.

BY RIVER AND RAIL.

Receipts of Naval Stores and Cotton Yesterday.

Wilmington & Weldon R. R.—164 bales cotton, 11 casks spirits turpentine, 71 bbls rosin, 19 bbls tar, 5 bbls crude turpentine.

Wilmington, Columbia & Augusta R. R.—507 bales cotton, 16 casks spirits turpentine, 156 bbls rosin, 272 bbls tar, 11 bbls crude turpentine.

Carolina Central R. R.—116 bales cotton, 31 casks spirits turpentine, 117 bbls rosin, 19 bbls tar, 28 bbls crude turpentine.

Cape Fear & Yadkin Valley R. R.—28 casks spirits turpentine, 85 bbls rosin, 145 bbls tar.

Steamer A. P. Hurt—138 bales cotton, 15 casks spirits turpentine, 95 bbls rosin, 281 bbls tar.

Total receipts—Cotton, 925 bales; spirits turpentine, 86 casks; rosin, 524 bbls; tar, 729 bbls; crude turpentine, 40 bbls.

Death of Mrs. Mary Ann Overbaugh, of Fayetteville.

The Fayetteville *Observer* announces the death of Mrs. Mary Ann Overbaugh at her home in that city yesterday morning. She was one of the most faithful and zealous members of Hay Street M. E. Church, South. "She leaves five children to mourn her death—three sons and two daughters. The sons—George, Irvin and Edward—were all with her when the end came. So was her daughter, Mrs. Jessup, who has watched by her bedside from the beginning of her decline. Mrs. Gibbs, the wife of Rev. J. T. Gibbs, D. D., presiding elder of the Rockingham district, was the only one of her children not with her when she died, and she had visited her recently."

Express Business Lively.

In reply to an inquiry made by a STAR representative last night, Capt. Jack Williams, Manager of the Southern Express Company here, said the holiday business this season was better than usual. It has looked that way to the STAR for several days. There has been a great rush of shippers, but Captain Jack and his corps of assistants have been equal to the emergency, and no effort has been spared by them to accommodate their patrons. The increase in the Express business would seem to indicate better times.

Checker Championship.

It is announced that North Carolina's checker champion, John A. Murdoch, of Asheville, has been reluctantly compelled to resign the championship of North Carolina in favor of Mr. H. C. McNair, of Alma, on account of the weakness of his eyes. The two gentlemen were to have played a match for the championship on the 28th.

MAXTON MOVING FORWARD.

Her Large Cotton Receipts—Telephone and Telegraph Connections—New Buildings to Be Erected—An Energetic Movement to Establish a Bank—And She Has Beautiful Girls.

The total cotton receipts of Maxton for the season to date are close on to 7,500 bales. This cotton was nearly all sold in the town, and the value was about $250,000. This means a great deal for Maxton, which is fast becoming one of the most desirable locations in the State.

Maxton is growing, too. It now has telephone connection with John's Station, Laurinburg, Laurel Hill, Gibson's Station, Newtonville, Brightsville, S. C., and Tatom's, S. C. A line five miles in length will soon be built between Tatom's and Clio, S. C., which will place Maxton in connection with Marion, S. C.

The Postal Telegraph Company will soon extend their lines from Laurel Hill to Maxton, giving the business men the advantage of two competing lines. The material for the extension of the Postal is all ready, and it is expected that connection will soon be made.

There is an encouraging demand both for store houses and dwellings in Maxton. Mr. A. J. Cottingham, a thoroughly energetic man, now merchandizing there, will build a brick store next Summer, and later on he will build another, the latter, as now contemplated, to be the largest building of the kind in the town. Mr. Angus C. McKinnon will also erect a brick building for his mercantile business; and among the possibilities is the erection of a brick hotel building by Mr. Cottingham.

There is a movement on foot, too, to establish a bank in Maxton, and a canvass of a few hours for subscriptions met with the most gratifying success. The location is an admirable one for a bank, and those familiar with the surroundings are unanimous in the opinion that such an institution would pay the stockholders handsomely, besides contributing largely to the prosperity of the town.

"In the bright vocabulary of" Maxton there is no such word as fail. She has numerous churches, a prohibitory liquor law, excellent schools, fine water, the best society and the most beautiful girls. The surrounding country is highly productive, the soil being adapted to the cultivation of cotton, corn, oats, potatoes and all the best fruits and vegetables.

When casting about for a change of location place Maxton at the top of your memorandum.

Cannon-Cracker Ordinance.

There is great complaint among those of our merchants who deal in fireworks at the passage of the ordinance by the Board of Aldermen prohibiting the firing of "cannon-crackers." Their ground of protest is stated to be the fact that they had laid in their stocks for the holidays and that the ordinance was passed only a little more than two days before Christmas. They claim that the ordinance should have been adopted at an earlier day, if at all, in which case they would have omitted "cannon-crackers" from their orders.

P. S.—Since the foregoing was in type, Mayor Harriss has informed the STAR that there was not a quorum of the Board of Aldermen present Tuesday night, and that no ordinance was passed. He says, however, he is acting under an old ordinance prohibiting the firing of "fire-crackers" except when the ordinance is suspended for a few days during the holidays. Possibly, it may now be asked, what constitutes a "fire-cracker?" And, further, is a "cannon-cracker" a "fire-cracker?"

To Prevent Disorder on the Streets.

Chief of Police Melton instructed his men last night to arrest any person who fires a cannon-cracker or dynamite-cracker, or who throws a fire-cracker at another person; also, to keep all sidewalks and crossings open, and not to allow horn-blowers in groups of more than three to march up and down the streets; also, to arrest any one drunk on the streets.

The following extra policemen have been appointed: L. P. Thomas, F. P. Howland, J. L. Bowers, A. Lockamy, Chas. H. Gilbert, L. G. Anderson, Rowan Green, T. J. Tart, W. Edens, Green Huggins, W. J. Orr, W. J. Burney, M. J. Merritt, David George, R. T. Pickett, G. W. Pickett, N. A. Frank J. Taylor, Jno. H. Grotgen, E. H. Derrent, G. W. Millis, Jos. F. Craig, Steve Craig, J. N. Mohr, Robt. Davis and L. H. Britton.

Bennett-Brown.

A very pretty wedding took place at 6.30 o'clock last evening at the residence of Mr. R. M. McIntire, corner of Ninth and Market streets. The contracting parties were Mr. William A. Brown, of Rocky Point, and Miss George N. Ennett, a niece of Mr. McIntire. The ceremony, a beautiful and impressive one, was performed by Dr. P. H. Hoge. There were numerous presents and other expressions of good will from fond friends.

The couple left at 7 15 to attend a ball and reception given them at the home of the groom's mother, Mrs. A. B. Brown, at Rocky Point. Quite a number of friends went up also.

Mr. H. L. James, of Laurinburg, Mr. Brown's uncle, came down to witness the ceremony.

The bride is a daughter of the late Dr. W. T. Ennett.

One Cent a Word.

Hereafter advertisements to go in our "Business Locals" department will be charged one cent per word for each insertion; but no advertisement, however short, will be taken for less than 20 cents.

This is a reduction from former rates and it is also a convenience to advertisers who can calculate the exact cost of their advertisements, which must be paid for always in advance.

Maillard's Fine Candy at Palace Bakery, 80 cents pound. †

NEWS FROM RALEIGH.

GOVERNOR-ELECT RUSSELL ARRIVED TO CONSULT FRIENDS.

Hastings to Talk—The Broughton-Young Contest Creates a Little Breeze—Meeting of Stockholders of the A. & N. C. R. R. Called—Supreme Court Adjourned for the Holidays.

[*Special Star Correspondence.*]

RALEIGH, N. C., Dec. 23.

Rev. Dr. Tuttle will preach his farewell sermon at the Central Church Sunday. His successor, Rev. Mr. Glenn, will reach here next week.

Governor Carr has made requisition on the Governor of Virginia for Nat Wilson, who is wanted in Caswell county on a charge of larceny. Wilson is now under arrest at Danville.

The beginning of the Broughton-Young contest created a little breeze this morning. Mr. Broughton's counsel demanded that the ballot boxes, which are confined in the county vaults, be produced in order to take a recount. Mr. Young, the Clerk of the Court, refused to produce the boxes upon advice of his counsel. This created quite a storm of indignation.

The Supreme Court will adjourn today for the Christmas holidays. With the conclusion of this session of the Court, Judge Avery retires from the bench.

Spencer Adams, who was elected Judge of the Fifth district at the recent election, will hold his first court at the January term of Wake. Mr. Adams, who has been Clerk of the Court of Caswell, has had little experience as a lawyer, but his acquaintance with court proceedings will be of value to him. It has been repeatedly stated that Mr. Adams would resign as soon as Judge Russell was inaugurated, but this is not true.

The Executive Committee of the Agricultural Department at the meeting last evening ordered that a new steam heating plant be put in the Agricultural building. The building has been very poorly heated and with the new annex it would have been impossible to heat both with the present arrangements.

[*Special Star Telegram.*]

Senator Pritchard will arrive here Wednesday next and remain until the election of Senator. Secretary Hyams will reach here Monday to establish headquarters for Senator Pritchard.

Clerk of Court Young refused to produce the ballot boxes to-day to take a recount in the contest case of Broughton vs. Young, and a mandamus will be asked of the Supreme Court to force the clerk to produce the boxes.

Judge Russell arrived to consult friends. He declines to talk. Will remain here Friday.

A stockholders' meeting of the Atlantic and N. C. Railroad is called for December 30th, for the purpose of changing the by-laws. Republicans say it is a scheme to fix the lease.

OPERA HOUSE.

The Woodward-Warren Company in "The Girl I Love."

Mr. Woodward and his select company of clever players presented last night at the Opera House the four-act comedy, "The Girl I Love." It is the best comedy-drama they have presented so far. The comedy work was in the hands of that fine comedian, Mr. H. Guy Woodward, and in responsible hands it proved to be, as he was the cause of much laughter and the recipient of appreciative applause of the audience.

Miss Bessie Warren, as *Martha Jane Boggs*, sustained her comedy role very well. Miss Gracie Beele, as *Crystal Morely*, the soubrette of the play, was vivacious and succeeded in winning the hearts of her audience. Her specialties were heartily encored, as was Mr. Edwin A. Davis.

To-night the company will present the three-act and prologue comedy drama, "The Quack Doctor." Seats are on sale at the usual place, Gerken's.

The Reds and the Blues—Y. M. C. A. Contest.

The Y. M. C. A. contest of the "Reds" and the "Blues" for new members will close to night at eight o'clock, as agreed upon when it was first begun. It has been a remarkably close contest between the two teams from the beginning. Neither side has been more than one or two in the lead at any time and it seems that it will continue up to the last, as last night at the close of the building it was a tie between the two. No name will be received to count on this contest after eight o'clock to night.

While the campaign has not brought in as much money as was hoped for, it has resulted in great good for the association in many ways, and the officers are much encouraged at the outlook. The annual election of officers of the institution will take place next Monday night.

Officers-Elect of Clarendon Council.

Clarendon Council, No. 67, American Legion of Honor, last night elected officers for the ensuing year as follows:

Commander—A. L. DeRosset.
P. C.—Herbert McClammy.
V. C.—F. E. Hashagen.
Orator—W. W. Harriss.
Secretary—J. C. Morrison.
Collector—J. Well.
Treasurer—J. Greenewald.
Chaplain—John Dyer.
Guide—J. H. Boatwright.
Warden—N. Jacobi.
Sentry—C. H. Ward.
Trustees—J. H. Boatwright, Roger Moore, A. D. Wessell.

Magistrate's Court.

Justice Bunting disposed of the following cases yesterday:

Ed James, colored, arraigned on a peace warrant, was required to give $50 bond to keep the peace four months. He was also placed under bond for his appearance at the next term of Criminal Court to answer to the charge of assault and battery with a deadly weapon.

James Perry, charged with assault and battery with a deadly weapon, was bound over to the Criminal Court in the sum of $50.

J. H. Rehder & Co. will present to-day a beautiful embroidered silk handkerchief to each cash customer buying one dollar's worth and over. †

Fireworks of all kinds at Palace Bakery. †

REPULSED BY REBELS.

DISASTER TO SPANISH ARMS IN THE PHILIPPINES.

Gen. Rios' Attempt to Dislodge the Insurgents from the Fortified Positions Near Cavito an Utter Failure—His Troops, Numbering 14,000 Men, Driven Back with Heavy Loss—Spanish Gunboats Ineffective—Rebels Still Hold Positions.

SAN FRANCISCO, December 23.—Private advices from Manila, Philippine Islands, reached here to-day and are verified by an account that appears in the Hong Kong press received per steamer Belgic this morning. The news contained in the communication deals with the attack by the Spanish on the Noveleta Isthmus, and the attempt of the Spanish to dislodge the insurgents in Cavito and Vijo.

At the end of the campaign, which lasted until the 14th of November, the Spanish authorities sent out dispatches reporting that the attack had been successful and that the rebel loss was very heavy. The Spanish claimed to have lost about 35 killed and 100 wounded. It is now learned that the great victory that the Castilians predicted ended in ignominious defeat. The rebels hold Noveleta against warships and troops. The Spaniards retired after suffering heavy loss.

The Spanish forces under Gen. Rios were divided into two brigades of 7 000 men each, supported by the Spanish gunboats in the bay.

The insurgents numbered about 13,000, but they were strongly entrenched in Cavito and Noveleta. At the head of the Noveleta Peninsula the ground was honeycombed with rifle pits and the town defended from assault by earthworks, planted with rapid-firing cannon and several pieces of heavy artillery.

Rios attacked the first line of redoubts and the rebels fell back to the main line of Dononze, a mile in the rear of the picket line. The Spanish had their plans well arranged. They placed the cruiser *Castilla* close inshore, and their guns covered the attacks of the royal troops. The cruiser's shells reached the outside defenses of the city.

The fight started at 9 o'clock on Sunday, November 8, and by 1 o'clock in the afternoon the insurgents' outer works had been evacuated.

Then a general attack followed. Rios throwing the main body of his first brigade against the rebel entrenchments. The gunboats opened fire on the enemy, but owing to bad gunnery, failed to cause any damage to the defenses. The *Cardelia*, the closest to Cavito, was fully six miles from the town, and all of her shells fell short, owing to the extreme elevation given the ship's cannon.

When Rios' men reached the insurgent works a terrific fire was opened on them. They marched forward resolutely until the rifle pits commenced to belch forth fire, mowing down the front ranks. The column faltered, then retreated slowly under heavy fire. The Spanish troops were in the open and subjected to the full effect of the fire. Had the rebels' gunnery been good Rios could have been slaughtered. The morning of the 9th the Spanish were back in their camp again and had repaired the remnants of the First Brigade.

The Second Brigade had suffered very little. The steamers *Isabella I* and a small transport were used to fetch the wounded to port from the peninsula. At least 500 were brought from the battlefield.

Wednesday, November 11, Rios prepared and headed a second attack on Noveleta. He threw his entire army against the redoubts and was routed with heavy loss in the first attack. The gunboats failed to aid the troops to any extent, their shot falling short. The Spanish did not attempt to renew the action, but waiting until the morning of the 14th, when a weak effort was made to flank the rebels, the failure of which ended the fighting for the time being.

If there is anything you want, advertise for it. Is there anything you don't want? Advertise it in the Business Locals of the STAR. One cent a word. But no ad. taken for less than 20 cents. tf

Candy Walking Canes, Candy Baskets made fresh at our Candy Factory every day, at Palace Bakery. †

All kinds of Christmas Candy at Palace Bakery, 5, 10 and 15 cents per pound, at Palace Bakery. †

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

OPERA HOUSE.
The Woodward-Warren Company
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"The Quack Doctor."
A three act and prologue comedy drama intensified with pleasing specialties.
Holiday prices, 10, 20 and 30 cts.
Seats at Gerken's.
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Do not forget that THE MORNING STAR is the cheapest daily of its class in North Carolina. Its price is $5.00, while the published price of others ranges from $7.00 to $8.00.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

Firecracker Ordinance
SUSPENDED.
The provision of the Ordinance prohibiting the firing of ordinary Firecrackers will be suspended from noon December 24th to midnight December 26th, Provided, however, that none shall be fired west of Front street. The firing of what is known as cannon crackers or those containing dynamite, is absolutely prohibited on any street, wharf or alley, and the police force have positive instructions to arrest any offender. Police have also been instructed to prevent the assembling of crowds upon the sidewalks or streets or parading the same in bands, with horns, and to disperse or arrest any person so assembling or parading.
W. N. HARRISS,
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At low prices. Give us a call.
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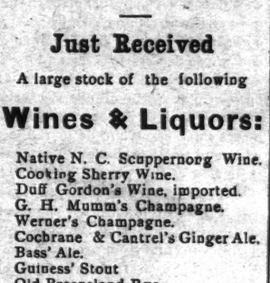
Geo. R. French & Sons.
nov 23 tf



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500,000 Cabbage Plants
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The largest stock of FINE PERFUMES, &c., in the city to select from.
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DEALER IN
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Combination Bicycle
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A Combination "Crusader" Bicycle, for either lady or gentleman. Cushion Tires. Brand new. Will be sold cheap. Call in person, or address M., at
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The Morning Star.

By WILLIAM H. BERNARD.

WILMINGTON, N. C.

THURSDAY MORNING, DEC. 24, 1896

SELF DEPENDENCE.

The South is frequently criticised, and there is ground for the criticism, for buying so many things which could be made in the South, thus helping to make other sections richer and herself poorer to that extent. Every dollar sent abroad to purchase things that could be made at home is a dollar lost, unless it be instrumental in bringing other dollars in.

The South is not alone in this respect, for there are other sections which are open to this criticism. The West and a very considerable portion of the Central States are open to it, some as much so as the South and others a great deal more so than they should be, but it should be said of both of these that they are not so fortunately situated to be self suppliers of all they need as the South is, whose resources and other advantages are unbounded.

But if some sections of our country are open to criticism for permitting themselves to be dependent upon other sections, so is our country open to criticism, and just criticism, for permitting itself to be dependent upon other countries for many things which we daily consume in large quantities and which are necessary to our comfort. We buy from other countries annually millions of dollars' worth of goods, the most of which could be and should be made at home. There is not a pound of woollen or cotton goods imported that could not be made in this country as well and as cheaply as they can be furnished to us by the foreign makers. The reason they are not, and the reason alleged why they cannot be, is because our manufacturers are not satisfied with as small profits as the foreign manufacturers are.

Ever since the Government was established we have had tariffs in which protection to our manufacturers was more or less of a feature, and for the past thirty years we have had tariffs in which protection was the distinguishing feature, and yet we are to-day in a shamefully dependent condition, due in a great measure to the coddling tariffs that induced the manufacturers to depend upon them for success and not on their own efforts and resources.

That we have made progress in manufacturing is true, and that the tariffs as originally devised with a view to stimulating home manufactures may have accomplished something in that way may also be true, but it is also true that we have not made the progress we should have made and that notwithstanding the pampering and our untold resources and our great "home market" of which the Republican protectionists have talked so much and so eloquently, we are still supplied with millions of dollars worth of various articles that come to us across three thousand miles of salt water, and come to us in ships that belong to other nations, too.

As we are dependent upon other nations for manufactures for which we find daily use, so are we dependent upon them to carry our food stuffs and such other commodities as we send across the seas, a fact which should mantle with shame the cheek of every true American who remembers how proudly our flag once floated on the seas and over some of the finest vessels ever, up to those days, turned out of a ship yard. These were sacrificed by the stupid and blundering policy inaugurated to "foster American manufactories" and were persisted in for a generation, long after the necessity for that kind of fostering had ceased, if it ever existed.

This country should have to-day not only ships to carry its own commerce to and fro across the seas, but enough to do a large part of the carrying of the world, as England and Germany now do, especially England, which is the common marine carrier for the world. Our shippers pay to the owners of foreign ships over $100,000,000 a year for the service rendered in carrying the freights shipped, enough to build a respectable fleet of vessels, and enough in a few years to build fleets that no nation could rival, and then keep for all time these many millions among our own people to enrich this country instead of going to enrich others.

These are both conditions for which Governmental policies are largely if not wholely responsible, for until the time that these policies became established our manufactories were making steady and great progress and our merchant marine had increased until it carried three-fourths of our ocean traffic and our flag was a familiar sight in every port, now seldom or never seen abroad save when flying over one of our cruisers or a yacht. No wonder that foreigners who so seldom see an American vessel floating an American flag, have a contempt for us as a naval power, and that third and fourth class nations threaten to bombard our cities and punish us when they find fault with what we may do or say in regard to them. And this is the penalty we pay and the humiliation that we are subjected to, not through any fault of the American people as a whole, but through the stupid and blundering policies pursued by our so-called statesmen who in some respects have brought us down from a first-rate to a second-rate, and as far as our merchant marine goes, to a third or fourth-rate nation, although the first in point of resources, geographic advantages, and in the energy and enterprise of our 70,000,000 of people, the first of which have been neutralized by these policies and the latter of which have to a great extent been smothered.

What we want is less Governmental hampering and strangling and more self-reliance, which will lead to self sustaining independence

MINOR MENTION.

It is about time to look for something from candidate Pritchard defining his status on the silver question. His parrots, Ki Gudger and Judge Ewart, have been talking for him and telling the Populists that he is a silver man to the core. They have both been in Raleigh recently and took occasion to be interviewed so that they could tell the benighted Populists what a good silver man Pritchard is and how sadly misinformed they have been as to his true position. In his interview with the reporter of the *News and Observer*, Judge Ewart said that the tariff would be the question in the next Congress, and as the Republicans were very anxious to have some legislation on that line, they didn't mind Mr. Pritchard's silver views, as they intended, anyway, to do all for silver that could be done or, to quote him, "I think silver will be given its proper place in the monetary system." This is as clear as mud, coming from one of Mr. Pritchard's spokesmen. It would be in order for him now to rise and explain what he considers, and what Mr. Pritchard considers, silver's "proper place." The gold men with whom Mr. Pritchard co-operated in the late campaign and whose declarations he endorsed and echoed, held that it was in its "proper place" when rendering service as subsidiary coin, issued in pieces small enough to do marketing with, and to make change. That was their view of the "proper place" for silver, and that was the view that Mr. Pritchard practically endorsed in the late campaign. But this will not prevent him from declaring himself a silver man from away back, proving it by a numerous array of Republican witnesses, and pledging himself to stick to it with a Spartan stick and work for it and vote for it until it be given its "proper place in our monetary system." It would be well, however, for these Populists who are asked to vote for him to have him define "proper place," and then swear to it.

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When a bank failed during the late campaign or a manufactory closed or a business house went to the wall, the gold standard people pointed to it as the result of the free silver agitation, and yet there were no such bank failures during all the campaign as those which have recently occurred in Chicago and St. Paul, which might have precipitated a panic in the former city if it had not been for the timely action of the Clearing House Association. But the danger is not yet over, for when confidence is shaken in the banks there is no telling when the runs and the trouble may begin. They take mighty good care, however, to announce the fact that these failures were caused by bad management and injudicious loans, which may possibly be true, and was as true of the banks which failed before the election, which we were told, went down on account of "the lack of confidence" caused by the silver agitation and the legislation advocated by the silver men. But there is one significant fact in the statement in connection with the suspension of the National Bank of Illinois, a $15,000,000 bank, that it is in the hands of the "Security Title and Trust Company," which is doubtless an Eastern concern backed by Eastern capital. Here is the largest bank in the State of Illinois, in the largest and most thoroughly business going city in the West doing business on money furnished by a Trust company, thus putting not only itself but other banks connected with it in the power of an Eastern syndicate, which, of course, looked out for itself, regardless of the interest of others. The fact is that as great and hustling city as Chicago is, it is dependent on the East for the money to run its banks and do business from day to day.

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The State of Mississippi, and the State of Tennessee also, have adopted the plan pursued in this State—of working their penitentiary convicts on State farms. In Mississippi it has worked successfully, rather too successfully, if we may judge from the following which we find in the Augusta (Ga.) *Chronicle:*

"Mississippi made $40 000 out of the labor of her convicts last year on the State's 8,000 acre farm. In obedience to complaints from farmers of the State that convict labor is coming into competition with the honest farm labor of the State, Mississippi is looking about for different employment of her convicts and is considering the plan of putting them to work building public highways over the State for the common benefit."

What ground there may be for the complaint we do not know, but doubtless the work of these convicts does come somewhat in competition with the planters and farmers in the neighborhood of the State farm, but, whether or not, there is more profit to the State in working them on the public roads as suggested, by which their labor would not come into competition with any one, and would benefit the State and every farmer and owner of property along the roads on which the convicts were employed and the towns into which they lead. Farms large enough to raise food for the convicts might be operated with their labor, to which no one could reasonably object. Roadmaking is the true solution of the convict problem.

CURRENT COMMENT.

—— As between lopping off the heads of Government employes because of their financial views and refusing to confirm appointments for the same reason, there is but little choice. It is small business all around.—*Washington Post, Ind.*

—— An Eastern manufacturer is said to have discovered a way to make cornstalks worth $5 an acre. If he will now discover a way to make the corn worth another $5 many unhappy Kansas farmer may see a chance of getting through a hard Winter.—*Chicago News, Dem.*

—— Senator Thurston, the representative of the Union Pacific Railroad Company, is advising the members of the North Carolina Legislature to re-elect Mr. Pritchard to the Senate. Mr. Thurston's suddenly developed interest in the welfare of the people of North Carolina ought to bring about a search of the wood pile. It is barely possible there is an Afro-American lurking in the vicinity.—*New York Journal, Dem.*

—— The Salt Lake *Tribune* says the corn crop this year in the United States is placed at 2,269,000,000 bushels, the largest crop ever grown. The main trouble is that the men who raised it have realized nothing for their work. An advance of ten cents a bushel would nearly make up the deficit of the government since Mr. Cleveland went into office, and that advance might have been had if all the men who raised corn had had the sense to know what to do in the last election.—*Augusta Chronicle, Dem.*

SPIRITS TURPENTINE.

— Durham *Sun*: A very sudden death occurred in East Durham Saturday afternoon. R. K. Watts, a son of J. M. Watts, was taken with a pain in the region of the heart. He stepped into the drug store of Proctor & Crabtree to get some medicine. While waiting for the medicine he fell to the floor. Persons standing near by picked him up and carried him into a rear room of the store, where he died a few minutes later. The cause of his death was unmistakably heart disease.

— Raleigh *Press-Visitor*: Mrs. Charlotte Ann Avera, the beloved wife of Mr. David T. Avera, died Sunday morning. She had been a patient sufferer for many years, and was in the 60th year of her age.—— Some talk is heard again of abolishing the Railway Commission. This was talked of at the last session of the Legislature, but it came from Republican sources. Now that the Republicans have the election of a member, it is not thought that it will cut much ice.

— Carthage *Blade*: Died, at his home near Lemon Springs, on Monday, the 14th inst., Mr. Roderick Smith, of typhoid fever. — "Dr." J. M. Wade, alias Becton, a one-armed Federal pensioner, who has been rather prominent in Republican politics here for the last months, was arrested here last Monday morning on a warrant from Robeson county charging him with bigamy. It is reported that he has three living wives. The parties who brought the warrant here say that as soon as they get him down in Robeson warrants will be sworn out charging him with disposing of mortgaged property and assault with a deadly weapon. He is now in jail awaiting the return of Sheriff Jones, when he will be taken to Robeson county.

TWINKLINGS.

— He—Miss Passe is a bargain.
She—How is that?
He—Thirty-eight marked down to twenty-four.—*Tit Bits.*

— He (pathetically)—All great men have smoked, my dear.
She (with animation)—Oh, if you will only give up smoking until you are great I shall be quite content.—*Twinkles.*

— All Seasons for Its Own—"Ice is an awfully ruinous thing," sighed Cholly. "In winter whole towns are bankrupted by ice gorges, and in the summer the young men are bankrupted by ice cream gorges!"—*Chicago Tribune.*

— Feminine Logic: Dolly—I'm glad I don't like oysters.
"Why?"
Dolly—Because if I liked 'em I'd eat 'em, and I hate 'em.—*New York Evening World.*

— You think Noah had a pair of every kind of animal and insect in his ark, do you? Where did he keep his bees, for instance?
He kept them in his ark hives.—*Boston Journal.*

— "Why do you hate soap so?" asked the inquisitive lady. "I don't," said Mr. Dismal Dawson. "I simply ignore it. We don't move in the same set; that's all."—*Indianapolis Journal.*

Others have found health, vigor and vitality in Hood's Sarsaparilla, and it surely has power to help you also. Why not try it? †

Wheel Punishment.

The late sultan of Marocco used bicycles as instruments of torture for any of the ladies of his harem who had had the misfortune to offend him. The unfortunate women were placed on the machines and compelled to ride round a marked track in the palace gardens. Naturally they fell repeatedly to the ground, their sudden descent causing the sultan the greatest amusement. When they had rolled in the dust a dozen times, the punishment was complete.

Intrusive.

"This is such a quiet neighborhood. Don't you ever sit out on your front steps?"

"No. There is an amateur photographer across the street."—Chicago Record.

He Whistled.

He—Nice dog! Have you taught him any new tricks since I was here last?

She (sweetly)—Oh, yes; he will fetch ... [illegible]

TRYING TO GET EVEN.

Clock and Watch Makers Get Into the Bicycle Trade.

Clock and watch makers who found their regular business falling off on account of the bicycle craze are now making up for it in the manufacture and sale of cyclometers. Competition is exceedingly lively among the rival makers, to the great benefit of the rider.

Three or four years ago there were only a few makes of cyclometers, and they were very heavy and costly. Now cyclometers are made as small as a silver quarter, weigh almost nothing and can be purchased at a trifling cost. Many dealers add a cyclometer to the equipment of the bicycle as an inducement to the purchaser, and as a result bicycles without cyclometers are the exception.

Cycling has brought many blessings in its train, and one of the greatest of these is the neat little register which records accurately the distance traversed by the cyclist. It is practically a 10,000 mile tapeline in a compact and convenient form. It is a great satisfaction for the rider to see the miles roll up on the dial as he spins along. The present cyclometers are very simple in construction, and as a rule perform their duty without error, but too much must not be expected of what is merely a mechanical contrivance. A rider can hardly expect his cyclometer to measure the distance between two points accurately if he wabbles from one side of the road to the other. In this way a beginner's cyclometer might record a mile while he has been pursuing his sinuous course for only half that distance.

Cyclometers are made for wheels of a given diameter, and if a 26 inch cyclometer be fitted to a 28 inch wheel the figures will not be accurate enough to be valuable. For the same reason if the front tire be soft an appreciable error in the measurement will occur, because of the lessened diameter of the bicycle wheel. If the tire sinks in a quarter of an inch under the weight of the rider, the error in a mile ride would amount to 14 yards. Thus the accuracy of a cyclometer measurement varies perceptibly, according to the hardness of the tire. However, the average bicycle rider is not an engineer or surveyor, and the popularity of the cyclometer is in no way endangered because of this slight variation from the truth, a failing to which the cyclometer is often driven by the scorcher eager for a huge mileage record.

So long as the variation is on the cyclist's side the cyclometer's future is safe. At any rate, the demand for the device is lively, and the makers are retrenching their losses incurred by the encroachment of the bicycle upon the watch trade.—New Orleans Times-Democrat.

The Appellate Courts.

Appellate courts can know nothing of the real trial as it did occur, yet they are not deterred from granting new trials and practically co-operating with unscrupulous attorneys for the escape of men guilty of the most wicked murders. Appellate courts too frequently seem to think that superior knowledge of the law is shown not by affirming the action of the trial court, but by standing in antagonism to it and by criticising its action.

It is like the case of the bold, open critic, who frequently gets credit for superior knowledge by the audacity of his criticism, when, in fact, he knows nothing of the subject. Appellate courts are very often made up of men wanting in knowledge of the most elementary principles of the criminal law, for they have never either studied or practiced it. With this want of knowledge of the very law they are seeking to administer, they try the case not on its merits, to determine the guilt or innocence of the man, but they try it by some technical rule which has really no relation to the guilt or innocence of the accused.—North American Review.

The Rulers of England.

Kings have governed England for 698 years, queens for 120 and protectors for 11 years. The average reign of the kings has been 23½ years, of the queens 30 years, the average reign of all the sovereigns being between 23 and 24 years. The average reign of the kings of the Angevin dynasty—30½ years—is greater than that of any other reigning family, although the average reign of the house of Brunswick very nearly approaches it. The average of the Yorkist kings—8 years—is the least of all. Four sovereigns of England have been of the Norman dynasty, and reigned 88 years; eight were Angevins or Plantagenets and reigned 245 years; three were of the house of Lancaster and reigned 62 years; three of that of York and reigned 24 years; five were Tudors and reigned 99 years, and there have been six sovereigns of the house of Brunswick, which has existed now for 181 years.

Enterprising.

Irate Business Man (white with anger at being disturbed)—You book agents make me so angry with your confounded nerve and impudence that I cannot find words to express my indignation.

Book Agent (jumping with enthusiasm)—Then, sir, you are in luck. I have here the very thing you need—a dictionary of the English language, containing all the words and slang phrases known, and only 5 shillings. Take it, and you will never be at a loss to express yourself again.—London Tit-Bits.

Full Details Gladly Given.

A Railroad Official's Experience.

MR. EDWARD EDMONDS, long connected with railroad construction in Nebraska, writes: "My heart troubled and pained me for 19 years. Shortness of breath was the constant and most common symptom. Intense, excruciating pain, generally followed any severe exertion. Faintness, hunger without any appetite; fluttering that made me clutch my breast, and palpitation that often staggered me as if I would fall, were frequent attacks. Again, everything would turn black if I arose from a stooping posture quickly. Sleepless nights with their prostrating unrest were numerous and I could get no rest day or night. I consulted leading physicians and tried advertised remedies. They gave me no relief. One of Dr. Miles' circulars described my case so exactly that I took Dr. Miles' New Heart Cure and I am now a well man. I hope every one troubled with heart disease will try Dr. Miles' remedies. If they will write me personally, I will gladly give them full details of my experience." EDW. EDMONDS.
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A CHINESE BANQUET.

Varieties of Fish, Flesh and Vegetables Served In Thirty-seven Courses.

Here is a first class Chinese dinner in 37 courses, as described by a writer in a London newspaper:

Course 1. Pyramid of ham and carrots in oblong slabs.

2, 3, 4 and 5. The same of mutton, boiled pig hide, grilled fish rolled in sugar and boiled fowl dipped in soy sauce.

6. Shark fin shreds in pickle, served a la haycock.

7. Eggs stowed away in lime till they had become black.

8. Peeled "water chestnuts," the root of a sort of lotus.

9. Cakes of cranberry jelly, very stiff and piled in pyramids.

10. Sliced boiled carrots and turnips similarly arranged.

11. Pinnacled pyramids of green olives kept in place by bamboo pins.

12. Ditto of greengages soaked in wine.

13. Ditto of tamarinds.

14. Ditto of pieces of dried red melon.

15. Small pieces of pastry rolled in brown sugar.

16. Sections of oranges, toasted melon pips and monkey nuts.

17. Small boiled dumplings with sugar inside, pink tops.

18. Patties similarly filled, for all the world like mince pies.

19. Baskets of pastry filled with brown sugar of the sandy sort.

20. Packets of pastry filled with mince meat folded as for post.

Now for the real "pieces of resistance"—eight big bowls containing:

21. Sea slug rissoles, the enjoyment of which was spoiled by information as to what they were, though certainly no worse than oysters.

22. Mutton stewed to shreds cut two inches long.

23. Fish tripe in white soup, not at all bad.

24. Stewed duck.

25. Stewed shrimps.

26. Stewed lotus seeds.

27. Sliced chicken stew.

28. Red sturgeon stew.

Then came eight smaller bowls:

29. Clear soup, styled on the Chinese menu, "Mouth nourisher."

30. Raw pigs' kidneys cut into the shape of an open flower.

31. Stewed shrimps' eggs.

32. Balls made of sliced ham.

33. Ducks' tongues stewed with ham, many dozens of them.

34. Sliced pigeon stew, the bird being cut up like a joint.

Thirty-five and 36 I failed to analyze, though I ascertained that the one was called in Chinese "the three silken strings," being composed of pigs' tripe, ham and chicken, and the other "precious shield hooks," the composition of which I could not learn.

37. Last, but not least, with the exception of huge bowls of rice brought in to fill up the corners, the dish that in these lands takes the place of bread—a sort of sweet pilau called "the eight precious things."

How Nails Are Named.

Two accounts are given of the origin of the terms "sixpenny," "eightpenny," "tenpenny," and so on, as applied to the various sizes of nails. According to one statement, when nails were made by hand the penny was taken as a standard of weight, and six were made to equal the weight of a copper penny. This explanation is open to criticism on account of the very small size of the nails of which six were needed to balance even the large sized, old fashioned copper penny. The other is much more probable. It affirms that six were sold for a penny, and the name grew into use, even when the price changed, and the larger kinds were, from a popular mistake, called tenpenny, and so on, without regard to size or weight. Of the ordinary sixpenny nails, there are 80 to the pound; of the eightpenny, there are 50; tenpenny, 34; twelvepenny, 39.—St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

The Box Industry.

According to a description in a Kansas City paper of the box industry in that locality, there is one factory alone which has an annual output of 2,500,000 boxes, most of which are used by the packing houses and soap manufacturers, one packing house using 267 different styles of boxes, another 100, and so on. Candy and cracker makers, starch factories, extract makers and other manufacturers use a vast number of boxes of various sizes and styles suited to their goods. Then, in addition to the box factories, are the shook factories, which turn out millions of "knocked down" boxes annually, one factory using 12,000,000 feet of cottonwood lumber annually, this coming from Arkansas.

How Whitman Lost a Fortune.

"Whitman once told me," said Actor William De Vere to a reporter, "that he once had a chance to become a rich man. 'Bill,' he said, 'when I wrote "Leaves of Grass" I took it to a famous publisher in Boston. He read the work and promised to publish it for me—if—

"'That if caused me to lose the fortune. He wanted me to agree that the attorney general of Massachusetts should edit the book and take out between 200 and 300 lines which he considered improper.

"'I declined, and then the publisher got Ralph Waldo Emerson to invite me out to his house. Emerson was the most persuasive and convincing man I ever met. He nearly persuaded me to permit the elision, telling me the book would be a great success and would bring me a fortune.

"'When I was with him, I was always on the point of yielding. The instant I left him I would return to the resolve that my book should be printed as I wrote it or not at all.

"'I finally determined that it should not be edited, and thus went my chance for a fortune.'"—New York Times.

The Prince Is Safe.

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BAGGING—		
2 lb Jute		@ 6
Standard		@ 6¾
WESTERN SMOKED—		
Hams ℔ lb	12	@ 14
Sides ℔ lb	5	@ 7
Shoulders ℔ lb	6	@ 6¾
DRY SALTED—		
Sides ℔ lb	4¼	@ 4½
Shoulders ℔ lb		@ 4¾
BARRELS—Spirits Turpentine—		
Second-hand, each	1 00	@ 1 10
New New York, each	1 35	@ 1 40
New City, each		@ 1 40
BEESWAX ℔ lb	23	@ 24
BRICKS—		
Wilmington ℔ M	6 50	@ 7 00
Northern	9 00	@ 14 00
BUTTER—		
North Carolina ℔ lb	15	@
Northern	23	@
CORN MEAL—		
Per Bushel, in sacks	40	@ 47½
Virginia Meal	40	@ 49½
COTTON TIES—℔ bundle		@ 1 20
CANDLES—℔ lb—		
Sperm	18	@ 25
Adamantine	9	@ 10
CHEESE ℔ lb—		
Northern Factory	10	@ 11
Dairy, Cream	11	@ 12
State		@ 10
COFFEE—℔ lb—		
Laguyra	20	@
Rio	10	@ 16
DOMESTICS—		
Sheeting, 4-4, ℔ yard		@ 5¾
Yarns, ℔ bunch	18	@ 20
EGGS—℔ dozen		@ 20
FISH—		
Mackerel, No 1, ℔ barrel	22 00	@ 30 00
Mackerel, No 1, ℔ half-barrel	11 00	@ 15 00
Mackerel, No 2, ℔ barrel	16 00	@ 18 00
Mackerel, No 2, ℔ half-barrel	8 00	@ 9 00
Mackerel, No 3, ℔ barrel	13 00	@ 14 00
Mullets, ℔ barrel	3 00	@ 3 50
Mullets, ℔ pork barrel	5 75	@ 6 50
N. C. Roe Herring, ℔ keg	3 00	@ 3 25
Dry Cod, ℔ lb	5	@ 10
" Extra	3 25	@ 3 50
FLOUR—℔ barrel—		
Low grade	3 25	@ 3 75
Choice	4 00	@ 4 50
Straight	4 75	@ 5 00
First Patent	4 45	@ 5 20
GLUE—℔ lb—	7½	@ 8½
GRAIN—℔ bushel—		
Corn, from store, bags—White	42½	@ 45
Corn, cargo, in bulk—White		@ 40
Corn, cargo, in bags—White	40	@ 42½
Oats, from store	30	@ 32½
Oats, Rust Proof	40	@ 45
Cow Peas	45	@ 50
HIDES, ℔ lb—		
Green		@ [illegible]
Dry		@
HAY, ℔ 100 lbs—		
Eastern		@ 1 05
Western		@ 93
North River		@ 85
HOOP IRON, ℔ lb	2	@ 3½
LARD, ℔ lb—		
Northern	5½	@ 6½
North Carolina	6	@ 10
LIME, ℔ barrel		@ 1 25
LUMBER (city sawed) ℔ M feet—		
Ship Stuff, resawed	18 00	@ 20 00
Rough-edge Plank	15 00	@ 16 00
West India cargoes, according to quality	13 00	@ 18 00
Dressed Flooring, seasoned	18 00	@ 22 00
Scantling and Board, common	14 00	@ 15 00
MOLASSES, ℔ gallon—		
New Crop Cuba, in hhds		@ 22
" " in bbls		@ 28
Porto Rico, in hhds	25	@ 28
" in bbls		@ 30
Sugar-House, in hhds	12	@ 14
" in bbls	14	@ 15
Syrup in bbls	15	@
NAILS, ℔ keg, Cut 60d basis		@ 1 15
PORK, ℔ barrel—		
City Mess	8 75	@ 9 00
Rump		@ 8 50
Prime		@ 8 25
ROPE, ℔ lb	10	@ 22
SALT, ℔ sack, Alum		@ 75
Liverpool		@ 60
Lisbon		@
American		@
On 125 lb Sacks	40	@ 45
SHINGLES, 7-inch, ℔ M	5 00	@ 6 00
Common	1 50	@ 2 25
Cypress Saps	2 50	@ 3 50
SUGAR, ℔ lb—Standard Granu'd		@ 5
Standard A		@ 4½
White Ex. C		@
Extra C, Golden		@
C Yellow		@
SOAP, ℔ lb—Northern	3¼	@ 4
STAVES, ℔ M—W. O. barrel	6 00	@ 14 00
R. O. Hogshead		@ 10 00
TIMBER, ℔ M feet—Shipping		@ 9 00
Mill, Prime		@ 7 00
Mill, Fair	6 50	@ 7 50
Common Mill	4 00	@ 5 00
Inferior to Ordinary		@ 3 00
TALLOW, ℔ lb	5	@
WHISKEY, ℔ gallon—Northern	1 00	@ 2 00
North Carolina	1 00	@ 2 00

COMMERCIAL.

WILMINGTON MARKET.

STAR OFFICE, December 23.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE—Market dull at 24½ cents per gallon for machine-made casks, and 24 cents for country casks.

ROSIN.—Market firm at $1 45 per bbl for Strained and $1 50 for Good Strained.

TAR.—Market steady at $1 05 per bbl of 280 lbs.

CRUDE TURPENTINE.—Steady. Hard 1.40 Yellow Dip 1.90 and Virgin 1.80 per barrel.

Quotations same day last year—Spirits turpentine 26½@26c; rosin, strained, $1 35; good strained $1 40; tar $0 95; crude turpentine $1 10, 1 50, 1 60.

RECEIPTS.

Spirits Turpentine	86
Rosin	524
Tar	719
Crude Turpentine	40

Receipts same day last year—00 casks spirits turpentine, 00 bbls rosin, 00 bbls tar, 00 bbls crude turpentine.

COTTON.

Market firm on a basis of 6⅝c for middling. Quotations:

Ordinary	4⅝	cts ℔ lb
Good Ordinary	5⅝	" "
Low Middling	6⅛	" "
Middling	6⅝	" "
Good Middling	6 13-16	" "

Same day last year, middling 7⅜c.

Receipts—925 bales; same day last year, 000.

COUNTRY PRODUCE.

PEANUTS—North Carolina—Prime, 40@50c per bushel of 28 pounds; Extra Prime, 55c; Fancy, 60@65c. Virginia—Extra Prime, 60@65c; Fancy, 65@70c.

CORN—Firm; 38 to 40 cents per bushel.

ROUGH RICE—65@70 cents per bushel.

N. C. BACON—Steady; Hams, 8 to 11½c per pound; Shoulders, 6 to 7c; Sides 7 to 8c.

SHINGLES—Per thousand, five inch, hearts and saps, $1.60 to 2.25; six inch, $2 50 to 3 50; seven inch, $5.50 to 6.50.

TIMBER—Market steady at $3.00 to 7.50 per M.

DOMESTIC MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

FINANCIAL.

NEW YORK, December 23—Evening.—Money on call to-day easy at 1½@2 per cent; last loan at 2 per cent, closing offered at 2 per cent. Prime mercantile paper 3½@4 per cent. Sterling exchange was steady, with actual business in bankers bills 483½@483¾ for sixty days and 487@487¼ for demand. Commercial bills 482¼@483¼. Government bonds quiet; United States coupon fours 111; United States twos 95; State bonds dull; North Carolina fours 100; North Carolina sixes 120. Railroad bonds easier.

Silver at the Stock Exchange to-day was higher.

COMMERCIAL.

NEW YORK, December 23—Evening.—Cotton steady; middling 7⅛c.

Cotton futures closed quiet and steady; December 6 80, January 6 89, February 6 91, March 7 00, April 7 08, May 7 15, June 7 20, July 7 24, August 7 26. Sales 158 100 bales.

Cotton—net receipts —— bales; gross 5 249 bales; exports to Great Britain —— bales; to France —— bales; to the Continent 214 bales; forwarded 973 bales; sales 1,251 bales; sales to spinners 51 bales; stock 281,751 bales.

Total to-day—Net receipts 42,666 bales; exports to Great Britain 45 629 bales; to France 6 800 bales; to the Continent 7 027 bales. stock 1,302,036 bales.

Total so far this week—Net receipts 237,000 bales; exports to Great Britain 81,103 bales; to France 31,628 bales; to the Continent 44,086 bales.

Total since September 1—Net receipts 4 616,029 bales; exports to Great Britain 1,704,004 bales; exports to France 380,713 bales; exports to the Continent 1,000,125 bales.

Flour dull and prices unchanged; Southern quiet, steady and unchanged; common to fair extra $3 00@3 55; good to choice $3 55@3 85. Wheat—spot dull and firmer; free on board 99¼c; ungraded red 80c@$1 00; options were dull, moderately active and firm at ⅜@1¼c advance; No 2 red December 89⅛c; January 88⅜c; May 87¼c. Corn—spot dull and firmer; No. 2 29c at elevator and 30c afloat; options were dull at ⅛c advance; December 29c; January 29c; May 31⅝; 32⅝c. Oats—spot dull and firm; options quiet and firmer; December 23⅝c. January 23c; February 23¼c; May 24⅛c spot—No. 2 23⅛@23c. No. 2 white 25⅛c; mixed Western 22@24c. Lard quiet and steady; Western steam $4 07½; city $3 62½; December $4 05; refined lard was slow; Continent 4 40; South America $4 75. compound $4 37½@4 50. Pork easy; demand moderate; new mess $8 25@8 75. Butter fairly active; State dairy 10@18c; do. creamery 14@21c; Elgins 22c. Eggs fairly active and steady; State and Pennsylvania 21@24; ice house 15@18c; Western fresh 20@23c; do. per case $3 00@4 00; Southern 21@23c; limed—c. Cotton seed oil was steady; crude 20c; yellow prime 23@23½c. Rice firm, active and unchanged. Molasses quiet and unchanged. Peanuts unchanged. Coffee dull and 5 points down to 5 up; March $9 45@9 50, May $9 50, spot Rio dull but steady; No. 7 $10 00 Sugar—raw dull but steady; fair refining 3⅜c; refined dull and unchanged.

CHICAGO, Dec. 23.—Cash quotations. Flour was quiet and barely steady, with quotations unchanged. Wheat—No. 2 spring 77¾@79¼c; No. 2 red 89⅜@90⅜c. Corn—No 2 2 ⅛@22c. Oats—No. 2 17@17¼c. Mess pork, $6 75@6 80. Lard $3 72½@3 75. Short rib sides $3 75@$4 00. Dry salted shoulders $4 25@4 50. Short clear sides $4 00@4 12½. Whiskey $1 18 for high-proof spirits.

The leading futures ranged as follows: opening, highest, lowest, closing: Wheat—December 77¾@78 78⅜ 77⅜ 78⅜. May, 80⅜@81 81⅛ 80⅜ 81¼@81⅜c. July 75⅛@75⅜ 76⅛ 75⅛ 75⅝c. Corn—December 22⅛@22⅜ 22⅜@22⅜ 22⅜@22⅜@22⅜. January 22⅜ 22⅜ 22⅜@22⅜. 22⅜c. May 25⅛ 25⅜ 25⅛ 25⅜c. Oats—December 16⅜ 16⅜ 16⅜, 16⅜; May 19⅞@20, 20@20⅛ 19⅞ 19⅞@20c. Pork—January $7 60. 7 62½, 7 57½, 7 60. May $7 90, 7 92½, 7 87½, 7 87½. Lard—January $3 82½, 3 82½, 3 77½, 3 77½. May $4 02½, 4 02½, 3 97½, 3 97½. Short ribs—January $3 82½, 3 80, 3 80, 3 80. May $4 00, 4 02½, 3 97½, 4 00.

BALTIMORE, Dec. 23.—Flour firm and unchanged. Wheat inactive and higher; spot 91½@92c; May 88⅜@89c; Southern by sample 92@94c; do on grade 88½@91½c. Corn strong; spot 28¼@28⅜c; year 27⅛@27⅜c; January 27⅜@27½c; February 27⅜@27⅜c; March 28¼c; Steamer mixed 25@25¼; Southern white corn 22½@27½c; do yellow 22½@27½c. Oats quiet and steady; No. 2 white 25@26c; No. 2 mixed 22½@23c.

COTTON MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

December 23.—Galveston, steady at 6⅝, net receipts 9 426 bales; Norfolk, firm at 6⅝, net receipts 6 095 bales; Baltimore, quiet at 7⅛, net receipts—bales; Boston, quiet at 7⅛, net receipts 1,447 bales; Wilmington, firm at 6⅝, receipts 925 bales; Philadelphia, quiet at 7⅜c, net receipts 9 bales; Savannah, steady at 6 9-16, net receipts 4,755 bales; New Orleans, firm at 6⅝, net receipts 16 936 bales; Mobile, quiet at 6⅝, net receipts 930 bales; Memphis, steady at 6 11-16, net receipts 2,257 bales; Augusta, steady at 6 13-16, net receipts 2 341 bales; Charleston, steady at 6⅝, net receipts 2,430 bales.

FOREIGN MARKETS

By Cable to the Morning Star.

LIVERPOOL, Dec. 23.—12.30 P. M.—Cotton, good business done and prices steadier. American middling 3 31 32d. Sales 14,000 bales, of which 13 400 were American; speculation and export 1,000. Receipts 7 000 bales, of which 3,700 were American. Futures opened quiet and demand moderate. December 3 61-64d; January and February 3 57 64@3 58 64d; February and March 3 57 64@3 58 64d; March and April 3 57 64@3 58 64d; April and May 3 58 64@3 59 64d; May and June 3 58 64 3 59 64@3 60 64d; June and July 3 60 64@3 61-64d; July and August 3 60 64@3 61 64d. Futures quiet but steady.

Tenders at to-day's clearings 1,700 bales new docket and —— bales old docket.

12.45 P. M.—American spot grades 1 16d higher. American middling fair 4⅝d; good middling 4 3 32d; middling 4 1-32d; low middling 3 15-16d; good ordinary 3 13 16d; ordinary 3⅝d.

4 P. M.—December 3 61 64@3 62 64d seller; December and January 3 59 64d seller; January and February 3 58 64d buyer. February and March 3 58 64d buyer; March and April 3 58 64@3 59 64d buyer; April and May 3 59 64@3 60 64d seller; May and June 3 61 64d buyer; June and July 3 61-64d seller; July and August 3 61-64@3 62 64d seller; August and September 3 60 64d seller. Futures closed barely steady.

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To serve in all that you might prompt,
While seasons wandered by.

Oh, you would be my manager
For better or for worse,
And what I'd sacrifice for you
I need not now rehearse.

Each act of mine would please, I know;
No curtain lectures loud
Would make a spectacle of me,
Or life's play overcloud.

A good, farseeing wife you'd be—
Who play the role are few—
To imitate your prudence, love,
At once I'd take the cue.

Your understudy, I'd be proud
To serve while life should last,
And you would never more complain
If I were in the cast.

The scenes might shift from well to do,
And poverty be mine,
But well I know that cheerfulness
Would still be in your line.

I sue to you, my bright soubrette,
Let naught your love debar,
But say that you'll accept and sign
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—Monroe H. Rosenfeld in New York Clipper.

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"Is Mr. Smart in?"

"No, sir," replied his clerk. "Any message I can give him?"

"No, thanks. I'll call again," said Mr. Smart, and turning he went out and gained his office by the back way.—Pearson's Weekly.

Too Much Commission.

"When Bret Harte wrote, 'For ways that are dark and tricks that are vain the heathen Chinee is peculiar,' he knew what he was talking about," remarked a resident of Pacific Heights. "For months I have been wondering at the size of my grocer's bills, and finally I became convinced that there was something wrong.

"The matter bothered me so that I finally gave it up in disgust and employed a detective to look it up for me. He found that the grocer was paying my Chinese cook a commission on everything he ordered, and the cook was ordering everything that I could pay for. What we couldn't use he carried down into Chinatown and used to stock a small grocery, operated by his 'cousin.'

"I have since learned that nearly every Chinese cook in the town demands a commission from the butcher, baker, grocer, etc."—San Francisco Post.

Count Tolstoi's Answer.

Count Tolstoi is not easily disconcerted. A compatriot asked him the other day the following three questions, the answers to which might have puzzled most philosophers:

First.—Ought a man of medium intelligence to express publicly and propagate the principles of life which he considers to be truths?

Second.—Is it worth while to try to know oneself perfectly?

Third.—By what principles can a man know at a decisive moment whether it is really his conscience which prompts him or whether it is only his reasonings corrupted by natural weakness?

The Russian philosopher, so far from being beaten by these questions, forthwith replied in a long letter, in which he answered the first two in the affirmative and pointed out that reason is given to us by God; therefore, it must be listened to where conscience has to decide.

The First Navigators.

The Phœnicians were the first navigators and sailed in all seas. They were also the earliest recorded traders, and were succeeded by Carthage, Egypt, Venice, Genoa, the Hanse towns, Holland, Portugal, until England has at length obtained the ascendency, the British navy being now the strongest in the world.

Not Pure Sentiment.

The Friend—Can't you be a man, even if Miss Moneybags has refused you? What's the use of grieving so on a girl's account?

The Rejected—You're all wrong, old man; it's for her account, not on it, that I'm grieving.—New York Journal.

Had Learned It.

"Biker is a man of great capacity."

"I should say he is. I took him around to the club for luncheon the other day."—Brooklyn Life.

WOMAN'S WORLD.

AN OAKLAND GIRL WHO SWINGS CLUBS FOR SWEET CHARITY.

The Renewing of Skirts—Traits of American Women—The Double Bed—A Warning to Wheelwomen—Married Women as Teachers—Three Successful Girls.

Society circles in this city have a young lady member who swings Indian clubs for charity, and she is so expert and so pretty that she is being talked about considerably in the Lakeside district.

She is Miss Rita Mylotte, and first took up club exercise two years ago for her own personal benefit, and found that she got such physical aid from it that she soon gathered about her a class of little boys and girls whose parents could not afford to patronize gymnasiums, and gave them lessons free just for the love of it and for the benefit she might reap from the exercise.

Miss Mylotte made so close a study of this branch of physical culture that she has become almost as proficient as the best of club swingers in the various and many gyratory movements practiced by professionals. Her services are in demand now at nearly every charitable entertainment and concert within her circle, and her work is so good that she never fails of an encore.

Miss Mylotte talked modestly about her achievement, but grew enthusiastic

MISS RITA MYLOTTE.

when physical development through club swinging was touched upon.

"Physical culture," said the little woman, "is a subject on which volumes might be written before its possibilities and necessities are fully understood. Professors of the art have multiplied, yet doctors and hospitals are as liberally patronized as ever.

"Favored classes can indulge in the luxury in the many elaborately fitted gymnasiums that have sprung up in all our cities and towns, but until the art is more practiced in the public schools the poorer classes can get no benefit.

"Club swinging I regard as the best of all the exercises in this line, because almost any one can practice it. There is no costly apparatus to pay for, and all the exercise that is wanted can be taken in one's room on arising in the morning or just before retiring. I would not advise too long practice at a time to beginners, for the exercise brings every muscle in the body into play, and one feels the effects after a few minutes.

"Many young women of my acquaintance swing clubs now, and I am sure that if girls knew the benefits to be derived they would soon secure clubs. The limbs are soon developed from a state of weakness and deficiency to one of strength and fullness, and the whole body feels the change a few lessons will bring."—Oakland Cor. San Francisco Chronicle.

The Renewing of Skirts.

A woman in moderate circumstances always likes to be as saving as possible. Therefore a bit of advice in regard to widening skirts of the past season should not go amiss.

A skirt may be very near the fashion and yet lacking in width for present requirements. They being really the most important part of a dress and the most costly, a little ingenuity and discretion work wonders.

To widen a dress of last year rip the seams to or above the knee, according to the width required, and fill in with full pointed panels of a different material. A spring silk skirt would look well with panels made of lace edged with a narrow braid or cord.

Then, again, should the skirt be of a fashion dating beyond last season, the best method for altering it would be to add a tablier. To do this the seams must be ripped all the way up, and the front breadth cut up the center and let flow back on each side. Then the side seams should be taken in at the hips and darts added. It is quite necessary, if the skirt is to be well fitting, to have the seams flow the full width of the material from the hips downward. The space in front can then be filled in with a lining as foundation for the tablier.

If the skirt is for evening wear, a pretty way would be to mount on the lining a tablier of some light material a trifle narrower than the lining, say, about one inch at the waist and widening toward the bottom, and cover the remaining space with firmly lined revers tapering from the waist on either side.

Another way would be to cut away the lower portion of the tablier in an ornamental line at the lower edge and fill in the space with velvet or lace covered satin. To conceal the junction of the two materials, trim with a narrow guipure and finish with ribbon bows.—New York Journal.

Traits of American Women.

One can rarely open a newspaper nowadays without coming upon a paragraph concerning the American woman. Her wit, her beauty, the smallness of her feet compared with those of English women, her extravagance in clothes or jewelry, are continually being impressed upon us by the industrious and patriotic journalists of the United States. Her good looks and her powers of repartee are facts patent to all observers and listeners, and I am even willing to believe that the foot of the average Boston or New York woman is smaller than that of her London sister. When, however, I read that the American women never talk scandal or say any unkind things about one another, I feel that my powers of belief are subjected to an unduly severe strain. If a man had made such a statement, one could have understood it, bearing in mind the fascinations of the American maid or matron, but it is a woman—Mrs. Craigie (John Oliver Hobbes)—who claims such remarkable qualities for those members of her sex who dwell in the United States.

Mrs. Craigie, who is, as every one knows, an American, returned recently from a visit to the States and was interviewed a few days ago by a member of the staff of The Daily Chronicle. The interviewer suggested that Americans were, as a rule, kind to one another. Mrs. Craigie admitted that they were. "I don't recollect," she said, "having heard during my recent visit one woman say an unkind word about another. Ungracious personalities didn't find a place in conversation, there was no retailing of scandal, no ungenerous exchange of tittle tattle. It was always the kindly word and thought. And then American women have the art of being able to chaff each other with complete good nature. A little point like that is worth bearing in mind, because large effects are so often the result of apparently small causes. I do not need to add that the American woman is witty, and that she dresses with excellent taste, for these are matters of the most ordinary knowledge."—Lady's Pictorial.

The New Double Bed.

Fashionable physicians are responsible for a new style in beds in this city which just now are adding largely to the profits of dealers in high class furniture. Like all new fashions, the divided bed comes from Paris by way of London. It is a unique and clever idea. The Astors, Sloanes and Vanderbilts were, it is said, among the first to take up the divided bed in both their town and country houses.

In appearance the divided bed is just what its name implies. If it were made out of ordinary materials, it would look like a double bed of usual width cut in two.

The price of a divided bed is quoted by Fifth avenue furniture dealers all the way from $200 to $4,000. A bed of a price about midway between these two extremes has been recently ordered by a man whose grandfather was glad to lay his head upon a cornhusk pillow. Satinwood enters largely into the making of this regal couch. It is carved and hand painted in the Elizabethan fashion, and attached to the cornice at the head of the bed is a canopy of silk. In accordance with the dictates of modern hygiene the canopy is not attached to the framework of the divided bed.

It has long been a wish of physicians to introduce upon hygienic grounds the divided bed. Since society has taken it up it will possibly not be long before it comes into general use. The divided bed has several distinct advantages.

It is believed by most physicians that it acts as a safeguard against the transmission of disease germs. It insures greater advantages of ventilation. In the case of sickness or any form of illness the divided bed considerably lessens the chance of contagion by supplying separate pillows.—New York Cor. Boston Advertiser.

A Warning to Wheelwomen.

Miss Marguerite Lindley, the physical culture lecturer, says that unless women are very careful bicycle riding will not only injure their health, but spoil any grace of movement or symmetry of form of which they may be possessed, and that corrective exercises are needed to counteract the effects of riding. However, Miss Lindley does thoroughly believe in the wheel when it is ridden properly and when riding is supplemented with the aforesaid "corrective exercises." These supplementary exercises are not designed to be taken at intervals during a bicycle excursion, but at home. They are taken standing in proper position, with chest and abdomen in line, or lying on the back or chest. When standing, the arms are raised shoulder high and extended, thereby raising the chest. The trunk is twisted, an exercise which brings into play many of the unused muscles.

The most valuable of the corrective exercises for bicyclists, Miss Lindley said, is taken lying on the stomach, with the feet fixed firmly and the hands on the hips. From this position the head and shoulders are raised by means of the muscles of the back. Another valuable exercise is taken lying on the back and extending the leg up and out from the hip. Both of these movements give exercise to the muscles which bicycling neglects.

Narrow bicycle saddles Miss Lindley declared to be the cause of half the evils resulting from wheeling. She advocated the use of a saddle adapted to the needs of the person who sat on it—a made to order saddle. And she insisted that the width of the made to order saddle should be at least approximately as great as that of a properly made chair.

Married Women as Teachers.

Worcester, Mass., is one of the few cities that indulge in the folly of prohibiting the employment of married women as teachers. The superintendent recently appointed a Mrs. Butler as a substitute. She is an experienced teacher, eminently successful, and her home life is such as to make it agreeable for her to teach. A member of the board called in question the right of the superintendent to make such appointment under the rule. Mr. Carroll explained that it was practically impossible to secure efficient substitutes in emergencies, and that bad results have followed from employing young women, inexperienced, as substitutes, as bad results almost uniformly follow such appointments.

The reply of a member of the board was, "I am opposed to employing married women when there are so many young girls waiting to get schools." Such an attitude on the part of school boards will bring our school system speedily to disgrace. It is not often that married women wish to teach. It is not often that a married woman is as good a teacher as one more recently educated for the work, who associates with the profession more than a married woman ordinarily can, but to conduct the schools on the basis of giving employment to young girls who are waiting will bring discredit upon the schools as surely and as speedily as anything that can be done. The best service from married or unmarried men or women must be the standard.—Journal of Education.

Her Cycle Book.

The bicycle book is the latest, a pretty conceit which will doubtless find favor with the fair devotees of the wheel. It is intended to be used as a sort of diary of one's trips and to record the speed and length of each ride. Like the address book and the calling list book, which have been found really useful, this little book is handmade. The best of paper should be used and the cover should be of canvas, parchment or leather. A tiny painting, or pen and ink drawing of a wheel, with a suitable motto or apt quotation, would be just right for decoration.

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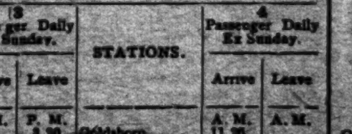

In Effect Wednesday, May 27th, 1896.

GOING EAST. 3 Passenger Daily Ex Sunday. Arrive	Leave	STATIONS.	GOING WEST. 4 Passenger Daily Ex Sunday. Arrive	Leave
P. M.	P. M.		A. M.	A. M.
....	3 30	Goldsboro	11 20	....
....	4 12	Kinston........	10 32	....
5 15	5 20	Newbern	9 17	9 20
6 27	6 42	Morehead City...	8 01	8 17
P. M.	P. M.		A. M.	A. M.

Train 4 connects with W. & W. train bound North, leaving Goldsboro at 11.35 a. m., and with Southern Railway train West, leaving Goldsboro 2.00 p. m., and with W. N. & N. at Newbern for Wilmington and intermediate points.

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7 45 p. m.	Ar...Wilmington...Lv	7 10 a.
4 55 "	Lv...Fayetteville...Ar	11 10 "
4 16 "	Ar...Fayetteville...Lv	11 2[illegible] "
4 13 "	Ar Fayetteville Junc Lv	11 27 "
2 55 "	Lv....Sanford.....Lv	1 00
12 41 "	Lv......Climax.......Lv	2 50 "
12 10 "	Lv....Greensboro....Ar	3 18 "
11 55 a m	Ar....Greensboro....Lv	3 2[illegible] "
11 07 "	Lv....Stokesdale....Lv	4 10 "
10 33 "	Lv..Walnut Cove...Lv	4 40
10 04 "	Lv....Rural Hall....Lv	5 10
8 40 "	Lv.....Mt Airy.....Ar	6 2[illegible]

SOUTH BOUND DAILY No. 3.	Bennettsville Division.	NORTH BOUND DAILY No. 4.
7 52 p m	Ar...Bennettsville...Lv	8 [illegible]
6 17 "	Lv......Maxton......Ar	9 40
5 36 "	Lv...Red Springs...Lv	10 18
4 45 "	Lv....Hope Mills....Lv	11 01
4 28 "	Lv...Fayetteville...Ar	1 19

SOUTH BOUND Daily except Sunday. No. 15, MIXED.	Factory and Madison Branches.	NORTH BOUND Daily except Sunday. No. 16, MIXED.
6 00 p m	Ar.....Ramseur.....Lv	6 45 a.
4 15 "	Lv.....Climax.....Lv	8 35 "
3 20 "	Lv ...Greensboro...Ar	9 20 "

NORTH BOUND.	No. 15 MIXED, daily ex su
Leave Greensboro..............	9 35 a. m
Leave Stokesdale..............	10 17 "
Arrive Madison................	11 55 "

SOUTH BOUND.	No. 16 MIXED, daily ex su
Leave Madison................	12 30 p m
Leave Stokesdale..............	1 28 "
Arrive Greensboro.............	2 40 "

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WEST AND SOUTH.

APRIL 5th, 1896.		No 41	No 403
		P. M.	A. M.
Leave Wilmington,	S. A. L.	* 3 20	
Arrive Maxton	"	5 1[illegible]	
Arrive Hamlet	"	6 5[illegible]	
Leave Hamlet	"	7 1[illegible]	* 9 10
Arrive Wadesboro	"	8 01	9 5[illegible]
Arrive Monroe	"	8 5[illegible]	10 40
Leave Monroe	"	9 10	10 4[illegible]
Arrive Charlotte	"	10 20	11 [illegible]
Arrive Lincolnton	"		12 55
Arrive Shelby	"		1 50
Arrive Rutherfordton	"		3 0[illegible]
		A. M.	
Leave Hamlet	S. A. L.	* 9 2[illegible]	
Arrive Osborne	"	9 50	
" Kollock	"	10 [illegible]	
" Cheraw	"	10 4[illegible]	
			P. M.
Leave Cheraw	S. A. L.		* 5 3[illegible]
" Kollock	"		5 50
" Osborne	"		6 25
Arrive Hamlet	"		6 50
		P. M.	
Leave Wilmington	S. A. L.	* 3 20	A. M.
" Monroe	"	9 05	* 10 45
Arrive Chester	"	10 32	12 05
" Clinton	"	11 58	1 2[illegible]
		A. M.	
" Greenwood	"	1 00	2 3[illegible]
" Abbeville	"	1 32	2 5[illegible]
" Elberton	"	2 3[illegible]	4 00
" Athens	"	3 38	5 1[illegible]
" Atlanta	"	5 2[illegible]	6 4[illegible]
Leave Atlanta	A. & W. P.	5 [illegible]	
Ar Montgomery	West of Ala.	10 45	
		P. M.	
Arrive Mobile	L. & N.	4 10	
" New Orleans		8 50	
		A. M.	P. M.
Arrive Columbia	C. N. & L.	10 00	* 4 30
		A. M.	P. M.
Arrive Augusta	P. R. & W. C.	* 9 35	5 0[illegible]
			P. M.
Arrive Macon	M. & N.		* 6 40

EAST AND NORTH.

APRIL 5th, 1896.		No 38	No 402
			P. M.
Leave Wilmington	S. A. L.		* 3 20
Arrive Hamlet	"	A. M.	6 5[illegible]
Leave Hamlet	"	* 8 15	10 3[illegible]
Arrive Southern Pines	"	9 15	11 21
			A. M.
" Raleigh	"	11 26	1 21
		P. M.	
" Henderson	"	1 0[illegible]	2 33
" Weldon	"	3 05	* 4 0[illegible]
		P. M.	A. M.
Arrive Portsmouth	S. A. L.	* 5 20	7 2[illegible]
" Norfolk	"	6 00	7 50
		P. M.	A. M.
Arrive Richmond	A. C. L.	* 8 40	* 6 [illegible]
" Washington	P. R. R.	11 10	10 4[illegible]
		A. M.	P. M.
" Baltimore	"	12 4[illegible]	12 05
" Philadelphia	"	3 45	2 20
" New York	"	* 6 53	* 4 53

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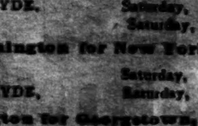

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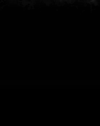

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GRAIN AND PROVISIONS.

Wheat Strong and Higher—Corn and Oats Advanced in Sympathy with Wheat —Pork Products Closed Lower.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

CHICAGO December 23.—In view of the approaching three holidays (Friday, Saturday and Sunday), shorts in the wheat market deemed it expedient to place themselves even, the prospects being a little bit uncertain. At the same time holders have had reason within the past few days to feel considerably encouraged and on that account were indisposed to do any selling to-day. The conditions mentioned resulted in an advance in prices to-day, the gain at one time being 1¾c over yesterday and the net improvement at the close being 1c. May wheat opened from 80¾ to 81c, advanced to 81¾c, closing at 81¼@81¾c —1c higher than yesterday. Cash wheat was firm and 1c higher.

Corn—There was nothing new or important to report in corn. May corn opened at 25¾c, sold at 25¾c, closing ¼c higher than yesterday. Cash corn was steady, a shade better prices being quotable in some instances.

May oats closed a shade higher than yesterday. Cash oats were steady and unchanged.

The tone in pork products was steady, the business light and trade generally neglected. May pork and ribs each closed 2½c lower, May lard 2½@5c lower.

SPOTS AND FUTURES.

New York Sun's Review of the Cotton Market.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, December 23.—The *Sun* says: Spot cotton here was unchanged, with sales of 51 bales for spinning; 1,200 bales were delivered on contract. The speculation to-day was quiet and in the main of a local holiday character. The opening prices showed quite a sharp advance in response to better cables than had been expected. Liverpool was higher both for futures and spots, with a good demand there on spots. Then, too, Liverpool was again a good buyer here early in the day, and some buying orders were received from New Orleans. Liverpool reacted, however, before the close and in the absence of good local support prices have slowly receded, and before the close most of the improvement has been lost. Local operators took profits and New Orleans reacted, while some of the early buyers sold. The decreased semi-weekly receipts also had much to do with the early rise, the receipts at the thirteen principal interior towns being about 80 000 bales smaller than in the same time last week. Liverpool private advices were bullish, stating that the sentiment there was favorable to an advance in prices, and that with encouragement from this side in the shape of an improved demand and smaller receipts higher prices would result. The fear of further bank troubles at the West induced some selling here this afternoon while it also had the effect of deterring investment buying.

A MARKED SUCCESS.

The Re-union at Southern Pines—Hotels Crowded with Guests.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

SOUTHERN PINES, December 23.—The re-union of wanderers from the Carolinas and Virginia, which has been held here during the past two days, has been a pleasant affair, for it has reunited many friends of former years, and it marks an era of social good fellowship which will last for many years in the future. In fact, this affair has been so successful that at a meeting held to-day it was resolved to hold a second reunion at the same place in 1897. The social features of the gathering are commingled with those of a business nature, for this is a bustling growing village, not a boom town, offering superior advantages, and the low rates made by the Seaboard Air Line induced many to visit the town upon this occasion. As a result its trains have been laden with passengers and the hotels are overcrowded with guests.

The proceedings to-day consisted of a series of games illustrating old time sports, most unique in their character and affording great merriment to the crowd. Altogether the re-union has been a marked success.

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NAVAL STORES MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, December 23.—Rosin steady; strained common to good $1 77½@1 80. Spirits turpentine firm at 37@37½c.

CHARLESTON, December 23.—Spirits turpentine firm at 34½c; sales — casks. Rosin firm; sales — barrels: A, B, C, D, E, F $1 40, G $1 45, H $1 50, I, $1 65, K $1 70, M $1 80, N $2 00, W G $2 90, W W $3 50.

SAVANNAH, December 23.—Spirits turpentine firm at 35c; sales 445 casks; receipts 895 casks. Rosin firm; sales 2,500 barrels; receipts 6 195 barrels; A, B, C, D, E F $1 45, G $1 50, H $1 70 I $1 80, K $1 85 M $2 00, N $2 25, W G $2 55, W W $2 85.

Treasury balances: Coin, $191,408,167; currency, $12 089 046.

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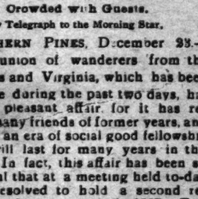

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TROUBLE WITH NEGROES.

A RACE WAR THREATENED AT MAYFIELD, KENTUCKY.

Negroes Arming and Threatening to Burn the Town in Retaliation For the Lynching of Jim Stone—White Citizens Armed and Organized For Defense.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 23.—A special from Mayfield, Ky., says that at 3 o'clock this morning every man of that town and every boy who could carry a weapon was on guard there, for an attack by an army of negroes was expected at any moment. The whites were being reinforced hourly by citizens from surrounding towns. It was thought that before daybreak there would be commenced the fiercest race war ever known in the South. For forty-eight hours news had been received at Mayfield from different points that the negroes were organizing in large bodies for the purpose of visiting the town and wreaking vengeance upon those who lynched Jim Stone, the rapist, Monday morning, and followed this by whitecapping some of the colored families who lived on the outskirts.

At 9 o'clock last night telegrams from Water Valley said that the negroes who had massed there were 250 in number and that every one had some sort of weapon. A half hour later news of a similar nature came from Wingo. These reports, in addition to many of a similar nature received from surrounding towns during the evening, caused the greatest consternation, and preparations were at once made for a battle. Men first saw to it that their homes were barricaded as well as that could be done, and then they proceeded to the hardware stores, where every one who could use a weapon was handed one until the entire stock were distributed.

A dispatch was sent from Mayfield to Fulton as soon as the alarming reports began to come in, asking aid of the white citizens at that point. A reply came at once, stating that a special train would be chartered and a body of armed men would reach Mayfield as soon as possible.

At 10 o'clock last night the reports had become so alarming that the firebell was sounded and all of the citizens assembled in the public square, where they remained expecting the attack at any hour. A message from Paducah received at 11 o'clock, stated that a body of negroes was being organized there, but that they would probably not march upon Mayfield before daybreak.

At 12 30 this morning a body of citizens of Fulton reached town. They report meeting a mob of 200 negroes, every one armed with a rifle, on the outskirts of the town. No attempt was made by the negroes to interfere with the Fulton people and it was evident that the former are waiting for reinforcements.

Guns have been ordered from Paducah and are expected at any moment on a special train.

At 2 30 o'clock this morning several shots were fired at three negroes who were seen on the outskirts of Mayfield. There was no response and the negroes retreated, evidently toward the larger body.

Will Suet, a negro aged 18 years, was shot and killed early this morning near the railway depot. A number of guards were watching the in-coming train for negroe refugees. The negroes alighted, and when ordered to halt they refused. One of the deputies open fire and Suet fell, riddled with bullets.

The killing of Suet has aroused the negroes to madness and they swear to wipe out the town to-night. This morning the Town Council held an emergency meeting. All women and children were ordered to remain off the streets after 6 o'clock to-night. Hundreds of farmers came to Mayfied this forenoon and are being armed to assist in saving the town if hostilities commence.

At 3 o'clock this afternoon the citizens held a mass meeting and organized into companies for mutual defence against the negroes.

LOUISVILLE, KY., December 23.—The alleged race war at Mayfield has been greatly exaggerated. There has been no trouble since the killing of Will Suet, colored, early this morning. Suet was only 18 years of age. No further outbreak is apprehended, as the better class of people have determined to suppress violence. This afternoon a mass meeting was held at the court house and resolutions were adopted denouncing the lynching of George Finley and Jim Stone, the killing of Will Suet and the burning of property. At 9 o'clock the town was quiet, with a few guards patrolling the streets and not a negro in sight. Only about fifty men came here from neighboring towns and these have returned home.

CENTRAL AMERICA.

The Envoy of the Greater Republic Formally Received by President Cleveland.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, December 23.—President Cleveland this afternoon formally recognized the new Greater Republic of Central America, composed of Salvador, Nicaragua and Honduras, by receiving the envoy of the Diet of the new Government—Mr. J. D. Rodriguez—Luis F. Corea and his attache, J. D. Rodriguez, Jr. Secretary Olney presented the Central Americans, who were attired in full evening dress. Minister Rodriguez was for a time in Washington, ten years ago, as agent for Nicaragua in a boundary dispute with Costa Rica, which the President decided as arbitrator. The envoy presented his credentials in a brief address, to which the President replied as follows:

"Mr. Minister: I take pleasure in recognizing, in the name of the United States of America, the Greater Republic of Central America, and in entering into diplomatic relations therewith. Such recognition is given and such relations entered upon with the distinct understanding that the responsibility of each of those republics to the United States of America seems wholly unaffected. I discern in the articles of association from which the Diet receives its powers a step towards a closer union of the Central American States in the interests of their common defence and general welfare, and I welcome it as a precursor of other steps to be taken in the same direction, and which it is hoped may eventually result in the consolidation of all the States of Central America as one nation, for all the purposes of their foreign relations and intercourses.

"To you I extend a cordial greeting, both personal and official, and I trust that your renewed residence at the capital of this country will be as agreeable in its personal relations as it will be useful and profitable for the cause you represent, between each of which and the United States has always existed, and it is hoped will always exist the closest ties of friendship." The President expressed the hope that the new Republic would soon include Costa Rica and Gautamala.

The steam yacht Vamoose, Capt. McIntosh, from New York, arrived at Key West last night. She will be used as a dispatch boat by the New York *Journal* correspondent, to run between that port and Cuba.

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HON. WM. J. BRYAN

BEGAN HIS LECTURE TOUR AT ATLANTA LAST NIGHT.

An Enthusiastic Reception Given the Late Nominee—"The Ancient Landmarks" His Subject—A Discussion of Governmental Questions.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

ATLANTA, Dec. 23.—Hon. William J. Bryan opened his lecture tour here to-night at the Grand Opera House. All day long he had been entertained by one organization or another and he held an almost continuous reception. Gov. Atkinson took him to the Executive Mansion in the morning as his own guest. At noon the Young Men's Democratic League tendered him a luncheon, and to-night the Fulton Club entertained him. Among the speakers at the luncheon was ex-Secretary Hoke Smith. Mr. Bryan was introduced to-night by Hal T. Lewis, the Georgian who nominated him at Chicago.

The late nominee's reception was enthusiastic, the audience cheering loudly and long. His subject was "The Ancient Landmarks." The subject matter was extremely conservative. There was nothing in it to offend any one. The address was a discussion of governmental questions. Government, said he, is what the people make it, good or bad, as they dictate. They can remedy abuses if they seriously undertake to do so. Often they are indifferent. It has been said that the man who neglects to take part in controlling government is worse than the men who govern badly.

Mr. Bryan quoted liberally from Jefferson and Jackson. He touched on the leading issue of the recent campaign but in a non-partisan way. The aim, said he, of advocates of different monetary systems is to secure that one which is best for the greatest number of citizens. Men differ as to which system will accomplish that, but all agree that the system which will give a unit of value of the least possible fluctuation is the best. In the end the people of the country, and eventually the people of the world, will select that system under which the unit of value is most stable. In reaching that decision, selfishness must be taken into account. Selfishness is here to stay, but it is not wholly disadvantageous, for it is the manifestation of the instinct of self-preservation.

Government should not only avoid abuses, but should protect the weaker against the strong. A government substitutes law for force and right for might. Governments must restrain. Jefferson said that one of the most important duties of a government was to restrain one set of citizens from injuring the others.

Trusts were denounced as a means of doing an injury to one's fellow-citizens. Mr. Bryan remarked that he did not think any party openly defended trusts. They are permitted to exist because the people are indifferent. They could be abolished by legislation or by public opinion. Newspapers formed public opinion, but they are not expected to do it all. Every individual citizen should exercise his influence, take a position and let it be known. Public opinion is so potent that it can crush out any abuse, even trusts or the use of money in politics. The use of money by political parties is the most pernicious influence in politics. And the party is young indeed which does not use money to advance its ends. But it should be remembered that if the use of money is permitted, the citizens will themselves be plundered to recoup the expenditures.

Unjust taxation was treated at some length. The speaker declared unjust taxation to be indirect larceny. It is taking money from one man's pocket and putting it in the pocket of another man.

The chief cause of discontent in this country is favoritism in one form or another under the Government. This favoritism may be manifested by unjust taxation in different forms.

Mr. Bryan found good results in the recent campaign. It set the people to thinking, a habit which they will keep up. Jefferson said that public officials who are not watched are wolves. Mr. Bryan thinks that hereafter public officials will be more closely watched. Good government consists in jealousy and not confidence. Over-confidence encourages abuse of confidence.

In concluding the lecturer remarked significantly that the Latin poet said we plant trees, the fruit of which we do not expect to pluck. We are laying the foundations now for those who come after us. A part of the foundation work was gotten under way in the recent campaign. The superstructure will be built later.

Mr. Bryan will leave here to-morrow morning, and he will go to Chicago, whence he will go to his home in Lincoln. He has a series of lectures booked for Texas.

SNOW IN NEW YORK

Four to Twelve Inches Deep—Street Traffic and Railway Business Interrupted.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—Snow fell at intervals throughout the day, making street traffic difficult in the city and interfering considerably with railway business in the suburbs. Nearly all incoming trains were behind schedule time and those from the North and West report bad drifts, owing to high winds which have prevailed.

In Brooklyn and in the upper part of this city there is good sleighing for the first time this Winter. The street cleaning department had several thousand carts at work and the most important streets were kept comparatively clear. The storm caused a lull in the holiday trade at the shops and the delivery systems and express companies, whose facilities have been taxed to the utmost by the heavy trade, were given an opportunity to catch up.

In Jersey City the police were called upon to prevent fights between trolley car employes who ran sweepers over the car tracks and piled the snow up in front of stores and merchants who put gangs of men at work shovelling snow back upon the tracks. The trolley companies finally agreed to remove the snow and hostilities were averted.

Reports from the interior of this State and in New England state that from ten to twelve inches of snow fell and the railways are being operated with difficulty.

SPANISH AFFAIRS.

Reforms to be Made in the Island of Porto Rico—Denial of Report That the Government is Purchasing Warships.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

MADRID, December 23.—Queen Regent Carlotina will on Christmas day sign a decree ordering certain reforms in the island of Porto Rico.

Admiral Beranger, Minister of Marine, denies that the Government is purchasing warships.

Gen. Azcarragua, Minister of War, has rendered an account to the Queen Regent of the work which has been done by the War Ministry with a view to the arising of possible complications.

The *Epoca*, a semi-official organ, declares that, together with the reserves, the Spanish army is fully capable of maintaining an international war.

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MORE BANK TROUBLES.

A WISCONSIN BANK FORCED TO CLOSE ITS DOORS.

Run on Chicago Savings Institutions—Business Failures—Members of the Insolvent Banking Firm of Dreyer & Co. Arrested—A Bank in Auburn, Me., Forced into Liquidation.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WEST SUPERIOR, WIS., December 23—The Bank of West Superior did not open its doors this morning, being forced into liquidation by the failure of the Bank of Minnesota. The officials of the bank say they will resume soon and pay all depositors in full. The city of Superior and Board of Education have nearly $14.000 in the bank, about half of which was deposited within the last few days.

CHICAGO, December 23.—The run on the Illinois Trust and Savings Bank and the Hibernian Banking Association continues to-day, as expected by the officers of both institutions, but is diminished in size. About half the number of yesterday were in line at the Illinois Trust Bank, all being savings depositors whose accounts did not average enough to disturb the equanimity of the bank officers.

At the Hibernian Bank the crowd of people, mostly women, was somewhat less than yesterday, and their deposits did not average $100 each. Considering the bank has 28,000 savings depositors, a falling off of two or three thousand timid ones is to be expected. The officers of the bank look for a continuation of the rue to-morrow and the end. The Christmas day rest is expected to have a general cooling effect. Business went on as usual at the other banks which have savings departments.

E. S. Dreyer and his partner, Robert Berger, of the banking firm of E. S. Dreyer & Co., which failed on Monday, were arrested this afternoon, charged with receiving a deposit knowing their bank to be insolvent. Subsequently they were released in $500 bonds each, pending the hearing of their case, which will take place January 9.

The American Brewing, Malting and Elevator Company, the George A. Weiss Malting and Elevator Company, and George A. Weiss individually assigned last evening in the county court. The failure of the two corporations was the result of the failure of the National Bank of Illinois. The two companies were borrowers from the bank and were indebted to it when it failed to the amount of over half a million dollars.

LEWISTON, ME., December 23—The American Banking & Trust Company, of Auburn, Me., chartered in 1896, has closed its doors and has asked the court for the appointment of a receiver. The deposits are not large, and bank officials say there are assets enough to pay depositors in full as soon as the assets can be turned into cash. The deposits and bills payable amount to $54 403, and assets nominally $130,743. The business of the institution was largely in Western mortgages.

SOUTHERN EXPORTS.

A Marked Increase in 1896 as Compared with Last Year.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

BALTIMORE, December 23.—The *Manufacturers' Record*, in its weekly review of the business interests of the South, publishes a detailed statement showing the value of exports from Southern ports during the first ten months of 1896 as compared with the corresponding period of 1895. These figures show a gain for the period under review of $68,000,000, while the gain for the entire country was $184,000,000, nearly one-half of the gain having been at Southern ports. This increase in trade from Southern ports, however, has been growing at an accelerating rate during the last few months, and a comparison for the last three or four months would show a still more marked advance in the South. This is brought out in the statement of exports for October, showing the total value from Southern ports to have been $19 250 000, against $31,497,000 last year, a gain of $18 000,000, while the increase in October exports from the entire country was $26,000 000. Thus from Southern ports there was a gain for the month of $18 000 000, against a gain from all other United States ports of only $8.000 000. Comparing the value of exports for the ten months of 1896 and 1895, the gain at the leading Southern ports was as follows: Newport News, $3,100,000; Norfolk, $3,000 000; Wilmington, $1 700 000; Corpus Christi, $1 500 000; Galveston, $18,800,000; Mobile, $1,700 000; New Orleans, $35,000 000; Baltimore, $16,000,000; Pensacola, $1,800,000.

ATLANTIC & PACIFIC R. R.

Decree of Foreclosure and Sale Ordered by the U. S. Circuit Court.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

LOS ANGELES, CAL., December 23.—Judge E. M. Ross, in the U. S. Circuit Court yesterday, issued a decree of foreclosure and sale of the Atlantic & Pacific Railroad, in the suit of the United States Trust Company of New York against the Atlantic & Pacific, Topeka & Santa Fe and St. Louis & San Francisco Railroads, their receivers, the Mercantile Trust Company and the Boston Trust Company.

The foreclosure is for a mortgage of $16,000,000 in bonds and nearly $3 000,000 interest. The decree authorizes the complainant to deduct $88,823 50 collected by it from sales of lands among the landholders pro rata. It then orders the sale of the railway to be made by Owen N. Marron, special master in the case. The sale is to be at Gallup, N. M., at the passenger station at a day and hour to be fixed by Master Marron. No bid is to be considered unless accompanied by a certified check for $100,000.

A BLOODLESS DUEL

Between Two Prominent Citizens of Suffolk, Va.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

SUFFOLK, VA., December 23.—There was a bloodless duel this afternoon between Maj. M. C. C. Wright, former town treasurer, and J. Letcher Gay, who is a lumber broker. Gay attacked Wright on the street for making insulting remarks and was told he could get satisfaction in any form on the field of honor. Seconds and arms were secured. When the battle-ground was reached Wright said he would fight with knives or pistols at ten paces. No agreement as to weapons was reached and the duel terminated in a war of bitter invectives. Excitement still runs high.

SERIOUS AFFRAY.

One Man Dead, Another Dying and a Half Dozen Others Wounded.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

MANSFIELD, MO., December 23.—Owen Booth, a constable, is dead, Tom Applin dying and a half dozen others were wounded as a result of a shooting affray near the Douglass county line, seven miles south of here, this morning. Constable Booth's posse attempted to search the house of a German named Coonsey, who had been accused of burglary. Coonsey resisted and opened fire with a double-barrelled shotgun, with the above effect.

The W. H. Mitchell Company, dealers in millinery, Detroit, Mich., have filed a chattel mortgage for various creditors for $84,000. The assets are about $58,000.

JAIL BREAKERS.

Several Prisoners Escape from the County Jail at Columbia, S. C.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

COLUMBIA, S. C., December 23.—At about 5 o'clock this afternoon as County Jailor W. H. Coleman was proceeding to lock up his prisoners for the night he was suddenly assaulted by four or five negro confined in the front row of cells. One of them threw a pan of hot ashes in his face and darted past him. Coleman attempted to shoot him down but his pistol snapped. The other prisoners all made a dash for the door but Coleman drove them back and again attempted to shoot the one who had fled past him, but the pistol again snapped, whereupon those nearest to him, seeing the disadvantage he labored under, rushed on him and knocked him down and made good their escape. Mr. Coleman was on his feet again in a moment and, locking the cells, gave hot pursuit to the four who had got away from the jail. He captured one near the negro cemetery in the northern suburbs of the city.

The news of this daring attack on the jailor quickly spread, and an exaggerated report that the jailor had been killed and all the prisoners had escaped was conveyed to police headquarters and to the sheriff's office, and in a few moments an excited crowd of citizens were at the jail and it was a great relief to every one to find out that the story had been exaggerated. The sheriff and a posse of officers are searching for the escaped men to-night, and they hope to capture them before morning. The city police force came promptly to the assistance of the jailor as soon as notified, and have given active aid to the search.

It is the first time in many years, if ever, since any such outbreak has occurred in our city, which has always been noted for the security with which criminals are kept, but no blame can be attached to Jailor Coleman, who is a brave and prudent officer.

THE WAR IN CUBA.

An Expedition Landed by the Filibustering Steamer Three Friends—Rumors of Severe Encounters and Insurgent Successes.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

HAVANA, December 23, VIA KEY WEST, December 23.—It is known here positively that the filibustering steamer Three Friends has landed an expedition near Jaruco, on the northern coast of Havana province. It is reported that Ralph D. Paine, a newspaper correspondent, who was on the Three Friends, has been captured by the Spaniards. The report is that as the Cubans were going back into the country with the arms and ammunition they were attacked by a body of Spaniards, and during the skirmish the American and two Cubans were captured. The prisoners were not brought to Havana and nothing has been heard of the capture the at American consulate.

Nothing has been heard from the Spanish army in the field. It is evidently the purpose of the Government to show that the rebels are demoralized since the death of Antonio Maceo. To the direct contrary, however, there appears to be considerable activity shown in the Cuban ranks.

There are many rumors of severe encounters between the Cubans and Spaniards, but nothing is allowed to be printed, and this indicates that the Cubans are winning.

It is said that the Cubans have completely routed Melguizo, in the province of Havana. The province is full of Cubans, and the pickets around the city are frequently fired upon.

A great expedition is said to have been landed by a large steamer near Manganillo.

WARM WIRELETS.

Cornelius Morrow, a well-known shoe manufacturer of New York city, died at his home in Brooklyn yesterday.

W. H. Jones, treasurer of Barry county, Mo., is short in his accounts with the county to the extent of $13,000.

Mr. Richard Croker has finally decided to lead Tammany Hall in the municipal campaign in New York city next year.

Consul General Fitzhugh Lee stopped last night at Ocala, Fla., on his way to Havana and was tendered a reception by citizens at the Ocala House.

The Toledo, Ohio, Produce Exchange adopted a resolution condemning the resolution introduced in the United States Senate recognizing the independence of Cuba.

John T. Waller, of Kansas, ex-Consul of the United States at Tamatave, Madagascar, is a candidate for appointment as recorder of deeds for the District of Columbia.

The few Cubans in Havana who have been incredulous concerning the death of Gen. Antonio Maceo, are now convinced of the sad truth and believe that he is really dead.

The marriage of Count Luis Dandigne, of Paris, to Mrs. Frederick May, of California, was celebrated in the Chapel of the Papal Nuncio in Paris, France, yesterday.

Among the earliest reforms of the French Government in Madagascar is a decree abolishing slavery, a copy of which has reached the State Department at Washington.

The U. S. cruiser Adams, for the past year guard-ship at Honolulu, left that port December 12th, being relieved by the Alert, and was expected to reach San Francisco about January 1st.

A collision last night on the Georgia road, about twenty-one miles from Augusta, resulted in demolishing two freight engines and badly wrecking twenty cars. No one was seriously hurt.

The directors of the United States Rubber Company have declared a dividend of two per cent. on the common stock. This is the first dividend on the common stock declared by the Trust.

Prof. E. H. McKay, of the Sioux Falls University, formerly of Des Moines, Iowa, committed suicide yesterday by hanging himself in his room. It is supposed he was demented from illness and overwork.

Schooner Charles Merford, from Boston for Baltimore, was towed into Fort Monroe, disabled. In a gale on the 15th, southeast of Cape Henry, Jos. C. Carter, the mate, was washed overboard and drowned.

The new gunboat Annapolis was launched at Elizabethport, N. J., yesterday. It will require two months to put her engines in, mount her guns, etc. Work has been rushed on her, on orders from Washington.

The barque Jamaica was lost off the coast of California on the 12 h inst. All on board save three men and a boy were drowned. The Jamaica was on her way from Campeche to Vera Cruz and carried sixteen passengers.

The Parsons & Pelleter Company, Sioux City, Iowa, the largest retail dry goods concern in Iowa, was closed yesterday under chattel mortgages, aggregating $91 583. Assets are estimated at from $180,000 to $140,000.

A strike has been ordered of conductors and motormen on the West End street railway, Boston, Mass., to take effect at 6 o'clock this morning. The cause is the refusal of the company to recognize the union organization.

CASTORIA

For Infants and Children.

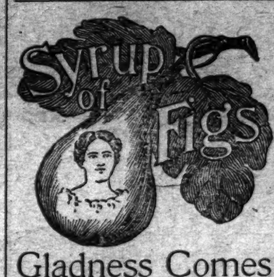
The fac-simile signature of Chas. H. Fletcher is on every wrapper.

Do Without Jails.

"In the Choctaw Indian Nation," says E. L. Craighead of Ardmore in the Washington Star, "there is no jail for convicted murderers. When I first went to the Indian Territory I settled in the Choctaw nation, and, hearing that a certain Indian was an excellent hand on the ranch, I hunted him up and asked him if he would work for me. 'I will work until the 20th of next month,' he said. 'Why not longer?' I inquired. 'I am to be hanged the 21st,' was his reply, in an unconcerned way. I hired him, and upon inquiry learned that what he said was true. But one man has ever failed to return for hanging after he has been sentenced, and my Indian did not prove an exception to the rule. On the day before the execution was to take place he left as calmly as though going on a visit, and the hanging took place at the time appointed. Notwithstanding his approaching doom the Indian made one of the best ranchers I ever saw, and I regretted to lose him."

Poverty Must Stay.

In a magazine article Mr. Andrew Carnegie says: "We should be quite willing to abolish luxury, but to abolish poverty would be to destroy the only soil upon which mankind can depend to produce the virtues which alone can enable our race to reach a still higher civilization than it now possesses."



Gladness Comes

With a better understanding of the transient nature of the many physical ills, which vanish before proper efforts—gentle efforts—pleasant efforts—rightly directed. There is comfort in the knowledge, that so many forms of sickness are not due to any actual disease, but simply to a constipated condition of the system, which the pleasant family laxative, Syrup of Figs, promptly removes. That is why it is the only remedy with millions of families, and is everywhere esteemed so highly by all who value good health. Its beneficial effects are due to the fact, that it is the one remedy which promotes internal cleanliness without debilitating the organs on which it acts. It is therefore all important, in order to get its beneficial effects, to note when you purchase, that you have the genuine article, which is manufactured by the California Fig Syrup Co. only and sold by all reputable druggists.

If in the enjoyment of good health, and the system is regular, laxatives or other remedies are then not needed. If afflicted with any actual disease, one may be commended to the most skillful physicians, but if in need of a laxative, one should have the best, and with the well-informed everywhere, Syrup of Figs stands highest and is most largely used and gives most general satisfaction.

BUSINESS LOCALS.

Notices For Rent or Sale, Lost and Found Wants, and other short miscellaneous advertisements inserted in this Department, in leaded Nonpareil type, on first or fourth page, at Publisher's option, for 1 cent per word each insertion; but no advertisement taken for less than 20 cents. Terms positively cash in advance.

Boarders wanted—I have a large airy room, handsomely furnished, with southwestern exposure, five windows, on first floor, with hot and cold bath, suitable for two persons. Electric lights, gas and telephone in house. For further particulars apply to or phone Mrs. E. B. Wiggins, No 114 South Second street. Phone No. 220. tu th sat dec 15 tw

Private Board—A few Boarders can be accommodate with Home Comforts at 114 Ann street Mrs Edgar S. Wa rock. su we fr nov 22 1m

Hay—Timothy Hay, mixed Clover hay, Prairie Hay, Straw, Grain and all kinds of mixed feed for horses and cattle. Jno. S. McEachern, 211 Market St. Telephone 93. oct 17 tf

Hayden, P. H., has in stock buggies, road Carts and harness of all kinds. Repairing done by skillful workmen on short notice. Opposite new Court House. oct1

Money Saving Secrets.

WHY THE NECESSITY OF PAYING fancy prices for Candy, when you can get fine French Candy from N. Paul's, No. 204 Princess street, tea. Second, for 10 cents per pound or three pounds for a quarter. There is 5,000 pounds that must be sold. Also a fine assortment of Candies of every description. Fruit, Nuts, etc. Remember that a little money goes a long ways at

dec 20 tf N. PAUL'S.

L. H. Peterson and Henry McLean,

THE EXPERT BARBERS, CAN BE FOUND at No. 11 South Front street, where they will be pleased to serve their friends. First class work guaranteed. Shaving 10 cents. Give us a call.

Respectfully,
A. PREMPERT,
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The Name Tells the Story,
"NUFF SAID,"

I have them. You want them?

S. W. SANDERS,

At the "Unlucky Corner."

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Sale of Stock.

BY DIRECTION OF THE BOARD OF DIrectors of the "East Carolina Piscatorial Association," I will expose for sale to the highest bidder, at public auction for cash, at the Court House door of New Hanover county, in the city of Wilmington, on Saturday, the 26th day of December, 1896, at 12 o'clock M., twenty shares of the capital stock of the "East Carolina Piscatorial Association," standing in the name of Thomas Ferrell to satisfy and pay the sum of two hundred and twenty dollars, due as unpaid assessments on said stock; said assessments having been duly and regularly called by order of the said board and payment thereof having been duly refused by Thomas Ferrell, the subscriber to said stock.

JOHN D. BELLAMY, Jr.,
dec 4 30t Attorney.

NOTICE.

Foreclosure Sale of Real Estate.

BY VIRTUE OF A DECREE OF THE SUperior Court of New Hanover county, in the cause therein pending wherein Thomas J. Green is plaintiff and E. W. Hewlett and wife Pamela F. Hewlett are defendants, made at the September term, 1896, the undersigned Commissioner therein appointed will expose for sale, at the Court House door, on Friday, the 8th day of January, 1897, at 12 o'clock M., to the highest bidder, at public auction, for cash, all that lot of land in the City of Wilmington, N. C., bounded and described as follows: Beginning at a point in the north side of Dock street 110 feet west of the northwestern intersection of Eighth and Dock streets and running thence westwardly along the said north line of Dock street 44 feet, thence northwardly parallel with Eighth street 120 feet, thence eastwardly parallel with Dock street 44 feet, and thence southwardly parallel with Eighth street 120 feet to Dock street, the beginning; the same being part of Lots 4 and 5 in Block 150, in the City of Wilmington, and the same conveyed by mortgage by the plaintiff by the defendants which is recorded in page 844 etc q. f. Book No. 16 of the records in the office of the Register of Deeds of New Hanover county, N. C. This the 8th day of December, 1896.

JOHN G. MARSHALL,
dec 8 30t Commissioner.

For Rent,

THE STORE No 108 NORTH Water street, now occupied by J. L. Crowe & Co. Apply to

D. O'CONNOR,
Real Estate Agent.

STATEMENT ATLANTIC NATIONAL BANK, WILMINGTON, N. C.

At the close of Business Dec. 17th, 1896, Condensed from Report to Comptroller.

RESOURCES.		LIABILITIES.	
Loans	$536,697 17	Capital	$125,000 00
Overdrafts	16 76	Surplus	5,000 00
U. S. 4 per cent. Bonds (par par)	50,000 00	Undivided profits	17,128 91—$ 62 728 91
Banking House and Fixtures	10,9 0 00	Circulation	44 470 00
Due from other Banks	136,701 84	Total Deposits	719,541 63
Cash on hand	179,818 77—326,517 61		
Total	$923,9 0 54	Total	$923,930 54

DIRECTORS:—J. W. Norwood, W. E. Springer, D. L. Gore, C. W. Worth, S. P. McNair, E. J. Powers, Sam'l Bear, Jr., H. L. Vollers, W. C. Coker, Jr. P. L. Bridgers, G. A. Norwood, Greenville, S. C.

New York correspondent, Chemical National Bank.

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A. D. BROWN'S

Christmas Offerings

—AT—

No. 29 North Front St.

Bric-a-Brac.

Rose Jars in Black, Purple, Lemon and Pink at 40c, $1.00 and 2.00.
Pin Trays in Black, Pink and Blue, decorated, 25c each.
Hand-painted Wine and Medicine Glasses 10c each.
Real Cut Glass Vases at 75c each.
Violet Jars in shades of Pink, Blue and Green 20c each.
Low Tea Cups and Saucers in Blue, White and Pink, 35c, 65c, 20c, 15c, 25c and 50 cent. Assorted Salad Plates 15 and 20c each.
Oat Meal Sets 75c, variety of colors. Cracker Jars 75c and $1.25.
Salad Bowls, fancy shades, 50c each. Bread and Butter Plates 20c each.
Sugars and Creams, assorted, Pinks and Greens, $2.75 set.
Sugars and Creams, assorted, Pinks and Greens 75, 50, 35c and $1.00.
Wedgewood in Tea Pots at $2.50; Cream Pitchers at $1.00 and $1.50.
Cut Glass Vinegar Bottles at $1.75. Venetian Vases 35 and 90c.

Dolls, Dolls, Dolls.

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Timely truth-telling talk concerning the many lots of bright Christmas merchandise. The happy throngs of buying buyers grow larger day by day. Many are the comments of pleased surprise heard on every hand. Our public appreciate the enterprise which prompted all this holiday preparation and are showing their appreciation by their patronage. Hundreds of helpful hints here to make your gift buying easy.

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Hundreds of dozens of them to fit your every wish. Extra help in attendance so that you may be promptly served.

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Bought for the occasion. Heavy damask or huck. Some with knotted fringe; some hemstitched; some all white; some with rich borders, and all reasonably cheap.

HOLIDAY FURNISHINGS.

These for the men folks. Ample preparation has been made for them in this progressive store. Neat new Neckwear, Shirts, Collars, Cuffs, Suspenders, Half-Hose and the like.

A PAIR OF KID GLOVES

Makes a most acceptable Christmas gift. This department is now at its best.

HOLIDAY DRESS STUFFS.

No more serviable gift can be made than a nice dress pattern to mother, sister or daughter.

FANCY ARTICLES.

To enumerate the great host of useful and ornamental things would require columns of space. But they're every where in evidence in the windows, on the counters, in the fixtures—ever where are the busy he